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OUR ANNIVERSARY.

Celebration of Independence Day in New-York and Elsewhere.

THE METROPOLIS REMARKABLY QUIET.

The Noise and Confusion Less Confounding than Usual.

FEW FIRES, ACCIDENTS AND DEATHS.

The Military Parade Small, Central Park Crowded, Tammany Society in Raptures, Army Reunions Highly Agreeable, and the Fireworks Successful.

The celebration of the ninety-third anniversary of the Declaration of Independence passed off this year with much less of the sound and fury, signifying nothing, than is usual on this occasion. The feeling of regret has become very general in this community of late years that the method of celebrating the nation's natal day should be such a noisy one. With every disposition to honor, in the highest degree, the patriotism and self-sacrificing spirit of our forefathers who fought, bled, and, if necessary, died, that we might enjoy the free institutions that they have bequeathed to us, yet there is no doubt that much of the fuss and flummery of the ordinary Fourth of July celebration is decidedly distasteful to the majority of Americans. A great many of our citizens make it a point every year to get out of the City on the Fourth, and a large number were absent yesterday. The parade of the militia was not, in consequence, very large. It was, however, a very creditable display, and, although it took place at such an early hour that comparatively few saw it, reflected great credit upon the regiments that took part in it. The weather was magnificent. It was pleasant for the season, but not too warm. The people were out in full force and the day passed with less disorder, noise and confusion than is usual.

The Military Parade.

The annual Summer parade of the First Division National Guard took place yesterday, as usual, in celebration of the glorious Fourth. The hour fixed for the assembling of the several individual commands being announced for 6 o'clock A. M., the members of our uniformed militia were up betimes, and many of them saw the sun rise, no doubt for the first time in many weeks. The morning broke clear and cool, although the rays of the sun, as they danced over the housetops, betokened a bright and scorching day. As the hour drew near for the different regiments to take up their lines of march for the brigade rendezvous, the early pedestrians in the uptown streets could see members of every military organization in the City, making rapid movement toward their respective armories. Here a clouting cavalryman clattered over the pavement with his untrained steed, and as he passed his accoutrements jingled and his sabre clashed, making a very warlike show indeed. There an artilleryman could be seen on the sidewalk with his sabre in his grasp and his fiery red plume nodding in the morning air, and as he passed the neatness of his dress attracted the eye and gratified it by its perfect keeping with the attributes of the leading arm of the service. Now the eye caught sight of the infantry in all their varied splendors of gray, blue and black, with gold and scarlet trimmings, with nodding plumes and neat pompoms, and as they hurried by the fact was apparent that the National Guard is rapidly resuming the well-known uniforms in vogue before our late war, when the smoke of the cannon and the rattle of small arms stripped the gold from their jackets and placed it on their shoulders as the members proceed to the front in command of raw but enthusiastic troops. Now that peace is again in the land, the militia naturally seek to decorate themselves with the trappings appertainal to barrack life, but so useless in the sterner scenes of actual service. One of the most conspicuous changes of late in the way of uniforms is the new style worn by the Washington Greys, who now appear in gray with gold and horsehair plume, and make a most dashing appearance.

As is usual in these days with the First Division the hour of assembling was promptly obeyed, and by 7 o'clock nearly all of the regiments were on their way to the place designated for the formation of their brigades. In General Orders No. 4, Major-General ALEX. SHALER, commanding the First Division, directed that the troops should assemble, preparatory for parade, as follows: The First Brigade of Infantry on Fourth-street, east of Broadway; the Second Brigade of Infantry on Fourth-street, west of Broadway; the Third Brigade of Infantry on Grand-street; the Fourth Brigade of Infantry on Amity-street; the First Brigade of Cavalry on Bond-street. These instructions were obeyed with great promptness, and the order to move was given by the General a few minutes after the hour fixed.

As the Commanding General and his staff moved down Broadway each brigade marched into the main thoroughfare, the First Brigade leading the advance, the other in regular rotation according to number. The column moved rapidly in the following order:

Platoon of Police.

Major-General Alexander Shaler, commanding First Division with Staff and Banner.

Brigadier-General William G. Ward, commanding Second Brigade, with Staff and Flag.

Second Regiment Infantry, Major O'Shaughnessy commanding.

Twelfth Regiment Infantry, Colonel John Ward.

Seventy-first Regiment Infantry, Colonel Parsons.

Brigadier-General Louis Burger, commanding Second Brigade, with Flag and Staff.

Fifth Regiment Infantry, Colonel Meyer.

Sixth Regiment Infantry, Colonel Emil Fry Rosen.

Eighty-fourth Regiment, Colonel F. A. Conkling.

Ninety-sixth Regiment Infantry, Major A. S.

First Regiment Artillery, Colonel Teller.

Brigadier-General Sandy McPherson, commanding Third Brigade, with Staff and Flag.

First Regiment Infantry, Colonel John E. Farley.

Seventh Regiment Infantry, Colonel Emmons Clark.

Eighth Regiment Infantry, Lieutenant-Colonel Stocks.

Ninth Regiment Infantry, Brevet Brigadier-General John B. Wilcox.

Thirty-seventh Regiment Infantry, Colonel Lozier.

Fifty-fifth Regiment Infantry, Colonel Wiley, commanding the Fourth Brigade, with Staff and Flag.

Fourth Regiment Infantry, Brevet Brigadier-General Wilmot DeVoe Sweeny.

Eleventh Regiment Infantry.

Twenty-second Regiment Infantry, Lieutenant-Colonel Fischer.

Sixty-ninth Regiment Infantry.

Seventy-ninth Regiment Infantry.

Brigadier-General Bernard Gaffney, commanding the Fifth Brigade, with Staff and Flag.

First Regiment Cavalry.

Second Regiment Cavalry.

Major-General SHALER and his Staff made a good appearance, though the latter was rather scanty in numbers, several faces being readily missed. The new Division flag is a handsome one.

Brigadier-General WARD and the First Brigade Staff appeared to advantage in regulation hat and plume. The newly-adopted Brigade Flag attracted attention as something new.

The Second Regiment made a very good parade, considering the domestic troubles of the command. There were five companies in line with eleven file front. The new uniform worn by this Regiment ought to attract recruits.

The Twelfth Regiment appeared in the old war uniform well known in 1861. But despite this drawback the command made a soldierly appearance, the alignments and distances being correctly observed. There were ten companies of twelve files front.

The Seventy-first Regiment made a very dashing show in their new full dress uniform and white pants, having eight companies of twelve files front. The swinging step of the American Guard gave the Regiment a soldierly look.

Brigadier-General BURGER and his Second Brigade paraded with chapeaux and variegated plumes. The new Brigade flag was also carried.

The Fifth Regiment, as is usual with that leading German organization, presented a good show of numbers, there being ten companies of fifteen files front each. The old heavy-artillery style of uniform is still worn by the Fifth, and though somewhat soiled by service, is yet a good one. The marching of the Fifth was very good.

The Sixth Regiment surprised its numerous friends by appearing in eight companies of fourteen files front. The command seemed to be at home under the guidance of Colonel MASON, its favorite commander. The new dress hats worn by this regiment are a decided improvement.

The Eighty-fourth Regiment paraded by ten companies of fourteen files front each, and really made a fine appearance. The example of the Sixth might well be followed in the adoption of a dress. This would give the battalion a better look, and would not occasion much expense.

The Ninety-sixth Regiment would have appeared to better advantage had the Adjutant covered off the companies. Companies having fourteen, sixteen, eighteen and twenty files front, were noticed, thereby destroying uniformity.

The First Regiment of Artillery paraded as a dismounted battalion in twelve pieces of sixteen files front. The command made a fine appearance, and marched well, which is saying a good deal for artillerymen.

Brigadier-General VARIAN and the Third Brigade staff made their usual dashing appearance in full uniform and regulation chapeaux. The new flag allotted to the Brigade was also on parade.

The First Regiment paraded in their Zouave uniform, having six companies of twelve files front. The battalion was in admirable shape, and attracted much attention while on the march.

The Seventh Regiment did not parade as many men as is usual with this crack organization, there being only ten companies of fifteen files front. The regiment, of course, looked and marched well, the new uniform showing off the men to advantage.

The gallant old Eighth Regiment paraded in the old fatigue uniform worn by them since 1861, and, despite this fact, the command made a fine appearance, both in point of discipline and numbers. There were ten companies under arms of fourteen files front. It is to be hoped that the full-dress uniform spoken of for this excellent command will be worn next year.

The Ninth Regiment paraded in their newly-adopted full-dress uniform, consisting of blue coat with scarlet and gold trimmings and dress hat. The Colonel had his command in six companies of twelve files front each, and the battalion had a splendid look.

The Thirty-seventh Regiment paraded in six companies of ten files front. A few of the rear rank men wore the old blue uniform, thereby destroying the harmony of color, the regimental uniform being a gray one. It is unfortunate that the Thirty-seventh Regiment should have been so troubled in its internal economy, for there is plenty of good material in its ranks. If the board of officers only work together the Thirty-seventh will soon recover.

The Fifty-fifth Regiment appeared with eight companies of fourteen files front, and in the new gray and scarlet uniform adopted by the command. The old French style of uniform is now discarded, and the representative character of the Garde Lafayette thereby destroyed. The Grenadiers is also missed, a feature much to be regretted.

The Fourth Brigade staff did not turn out as strong as it might, owing no doubt to the absence of Brigadier General ASTHWALL. It did not argue much respect toward Colonel LUX to see so small an attendance. The regulation Brigade flag did not appear, the old one being carried instead.

The Fourth Regiment paraded in the old Zouave dress, there being six companies of ten files front. The Fourth labors under many disadvantages owing to the rapid change of commanding officers, and a general neglect of the men by the Board. Now that General DELACY has assumed active command of the Fourth, an immediate improvement may be confidently looked for, as he is a veteran officer. When Colonel BURTON left the Regiment rowdyism was rampant, but it is pleasing now to state that the process of weeding has commenced and will be rigidly carried out. The present style of dress is no uniform at all owing to the carelessness of the men. When the new one is worn which will be before the next parade, better things may be looked for. Attention to minor details is what makes a regiment after all.

The Eleventh Regiment appeared under arms in ten companies, of sixteen files front, and marched magnificently. The new dress uniform is a decided improvement; it is pleasant to see the Regiment marching such steady progress.

The Twenty-second Regiment paraded eight companies of sixteen files front, and made an excellent and soldierly appearance. That this command is composed of good material is evidenced by the fact that it does not lose ground, not withstanding all the changes of commanding officers. This is the last regiment to be made by the Twenty-second in their present uniform, as the new full dress one is now in preparation.

The Sixty-ninth Regiment made a good appearance in their new uniform of gray and scarlet, having eight companies, of fourteen files front, each.

The Seventy-ninth Regiment made a painful parade, the old uniforms being sadly out of repair. So good and brave a command as this Highland Regiment proved itself during the war deserves a better treatment by the authorities. As a reminder of the distinguished service rendered by the Seventy-ninth, they displayed the regulation to carry only two colors, the command paraded with three of their war flags, which were frequently received with cheers.

The Fifth Brigade, under General FOSTER, made a creditable appearance, the First and Second Cavalry, parading with about 80 sabres each. The Washington Greys did not parade as a battalion, several of the members, however, appeared as orderlies for the several Generals in the division.

Every regiment in the Division paraded with a band, and there were only two without a drum corps. The Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Twelfth and Twenty-second Regiment drum corps were noticeable for their full strength and correct time.

The line of march laid down in General Orders was down Broadway to Canal-street, thence down Canal-street to the Bowery, up the Bowery and Fourth-avenue to Twenty-third-street, through Twenty-third-street to Madison-avenue, up Madison-avenue to Forty-second-street, through Forty-second-street to Fifth-avenue, and down Fifth-avenue to Twenty-third-street. The length of the moving column may be given as extending from Bond-street down Broadway to Canal, and up the Bowery to Bond again, at the head of the Division, halted in Bond-street in the Bowery, as the cavalry were filing into Broadway. The time occupied by the Division in passing a given point was fifty minutes.

As the column passed down Fifth-avenue the honor of a marching salute was paid to Mayor HALL, who, with the leading members of the City Government, reviewed the troops at the Travelers' Club-house near Twenty-sixth-street. Another review of the Division took place at the Worth Monument, where a stand was erected for the accommodation of the officers of the Army of the Potomac. The names of the following battles appeared amid the flags and decorations: "Fredericksburg," "Coal Harbor," "Malvern Hill," "Williamsburg," "Yorktown," "Fair Oaks," "Antietam," "Wilderness," "Five Forks," "Petersburg," "Petersburg," and "Chancellorsville."

In passing the Mayor's reviewing stand a marching salute was given, the column stepping in constant and unfaltering movement. While passing the grand stand at the Worth monument the usual ceremonies were observed. Division and Brigade Commanders wheeling out of line and regiments dismounted after saluting. Both reviews were highly successful, the details being correctly carried out. Taken as a whole, the parade yesterday was a decided success. There were fully 8,000 men on parade.

Veterans of the War of 1812.

The veterans of the War of 1812, under command of General H. RAYMOND, had a brief parade, and were subsequently entertained at a sumptuous repast provided by Mr. Jos. G. HARRIS and Mr. Jas. MICHALIS, at the Continental Hotel, No. 443 Broadway. The usual patriotic toasts were given.

Parade of Cuban Patriots.

One of the features of yesterday was the Cuban display, which was enthusiastically made by about 200 Cuban residents of this City. It was ostensibly made for the purpose of manifesting sympathy in the general patriotic rejoicing, but was really intended to evoke sympathy for the Cuban revolutionary cause. The procession was formed in the morning at Washington-square, subsequently marching down Broadway. It was preceded by a band of music, and in its ranks were carried the American and Cuban flags. Among the processionists were a large number of men who volunteered in the Lopez expedition, and who were recently released from the Navy-yard. The patriots marched in citizens' dress, presenting a compact and attractive appearance. They passed the City Hall in solid columns and subsequently wheeled into Printing-house-square, where they stopped to give cheers to several journals which are friendly to their cause. The demonstration was very animated and lasted some time, the man frequently offering loud cries of "Viva la Cuba!" "Viva Cespedes!" Such sentiments of a more hollow character were also responded to, such as shouts of "Muerte Espana!" which were given in an angry and hissing manner. After the party had done sufficient honor to the newspapers, it quietly proceeded through Chatham-street on its way up town.

Celebration by the Tammany Society.

The Tammany Society celebrated the anniversary in accordance with their usual custom, at the new wigwam in Fourteenth-street. The Society met in the council chamber of the wigwam at 9:30 A. M., and at 10 o'clock marched in procession to the large hall or theatre, where the exercises were to be held. There was a very full turn out of the Sachems and members of the Society, who were assigned seats on the stage, but the outside audience that assembled to witness the anniversary exercises was small—not more than half the seats in the theatre being filled.

Among the Sachems and invited guests who occupied seats upon the stage were Jno. P. Stockton, United States Senator from New-Jersey, and orator of the day, Mayor Hall, Judge McCunn, Judge Barbour, District-Attorney Garvin, Senator Pierce, of Brooklyn, Ex-Chief of Police Matsell, Thomas C. Fields, Sheriff O'Brien, Hon. Geo. W. Miller, of Rochester, and many others. Governor HOFFMAN, who was down in the programme for a speech on the occasion, did not put in an appearance.

Grafulla's Seventh Regiment Band supplied music for the occasion, and after they had played several patriotic airs, Grand Sachem WM. M. TWEED opened the exercises by thanking those present for their attendance. The orator of the day, he said, had arrived, and he hoped his words would be met with ready, willing and responsive hearts. One year ago, said he, we met in this place to discharge a sacred duty then devolving on us—to place before the country the record of the last six years of the entire Democratic Party. The result of that Convention was known to all, and whether the country had gained or lost by the issue, time alone could show. But the principles then laid down were the only true principles on which the country could prosper, and were advantageous alike to the laborer, the mechanic and the banker. In view of the gems of eloquence that were to follow, he did not feel at liberty to trespass longer upon their time, and would close by repeating the thanks of the Tammany Society for their attendance on this occasion.

After music by the band, the Declaration of Independence was read in a distinct, clear tone by ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Esq., who emphasized those portions of the document that might be supposed to suggest a parallel between the present condition of the Democracy, oppressed by Republican rule, and that of the Revolutionary Fathers, ground down by British tyranny, and was rewarded for his elocutionary skill by frequent rounds of applause.

More music by the band preceded the introduction by the Grand Sachem of DE WITT CLINTON VAN BUREN, who recited an original ode; in which the present democratic condition of the country and the shortcomings of the powers that be were bewailed in rhetorical, poetical and partisan eloquence.

LETTERS FROM ABSENTEES.

Judge SAMUEL B. GARVIN, present District-Attorney, was then introduced, and said that he had a very humble part to perform, but still it was a part that he took great delight in performing. He was to read the letters that had been received by the Committee from distinguished brethren abroad who had been unable to attend. And first was the letter from that distinguished Sachem, now Governor of the State of New-York, JOHN T. HOFFMAN. (Three cheers were before the announcement of Grand Sachem TWEED for Governor HOFFMAN.) Judge GARVIN here proceeded to eulogize the Governor who had been so kind as to appoint him to the full office of District-Attorney, and closed by proclaiming that the day would come when JOHN T. HOFFMAN would be nominated to highest office in the gift of the American people. He then read the Governor's letter which, after the usual platitudes about the necessity of watchfulness on the part of the people to preserve their liberties, closed with the following sentence:

"I am heartily with you in believing in the necessity of reviving the simple and pure ideas of government, to wit: the least exercise of governmental power consistent with stability and good order; the maintenance of the full rights of the States, so that, nevertheless, the Union of the States be not impaired; and, within the States, the retention by the people, in cities, counties, towns and villages, of all powers not delegated, matters of purely local interest."

The next letter was a very brief one from JOHN G. SAXE, the poet, whose birth and residence in the Radical Republican State of Vermont, Judge GARVIN said, had always excited in his mind the utmost astonishment that he should ever have been a Democrat. And yet he always was and always had been, since his boyhood, a Democrat of the first water.

SAXE's letter contained nothing but an excuse for not being present, and a somewhat exaggerated puff of the Tammany Society.

The next was from Hon. JAMES BROOKS, who exhorted the Sachems to continue to venerate the fathers of the Republic, honor the memory of GEORGE WASHINGTON, and imitate his example.

After concluding the reading of BROOKS's letter, Judge GARVIN appeared to have got tired of the "humble part" he was to perform, and excused himself from reading the remainder by saying that they would all be found in the newspapers.

The other letters were from Charles Francis Adams, (five lines,) D. R. Floyd Jones, J. G. Abbott, John McAdie, James W. Wall, of New-Jersey, Richard A. Venz and Reverdy Johnson. We dislike to appear remiss in fulfilling the promise of Judge GARVIN that these letters should all appear in the papers, but really we are constrained to say, after a careful perusal of the whole bunch, that they are not worth the space they would occupy—at least not in the TIMES. We can only find room for the following concluding sentences from the letter of our late Minister to England, REVERDY JOHNSON:

"It cannot be that for any lengthened period the south will be given up to the unlimited control of military power, or to what is as fatal to freedom, the supremacy of negro suffrage, which has just emerged from a degrading slavery, and that is utterly unlettered, the results which would result from the second of the enumerated classes. It there be any truth which is in the Bible, it is that the strong should at all times be subordinate to the civil power. The exception has been established if it has been through the instrumentality of the former, and whenever it has been defeated, it has been through the power of the latter. The motto of your society, 'Civil Liberty, the Glory of Man,' is not less true than that military power is the bane of all true glory. The true man of the country, therefore, those who have inherited the precepts and example of our ancestors, will see to it that civil liberty shall remain as perfect as it was in their day."

MR. STOCKTON'S ORATION.

The orator of the day, Hon. JOHN P. STOCKTON, was then introduced and received with rounds of applause. His address occupied about half an hour, and was mainly devoted to a criticism of the Republican Party, and of the policy of reconstruction adopted by Congress. He made a labored attempt to show the inconsistency of the proposed Fifteenth Amendment, and denied that such an amendment could be made to the Constitution in the manner proposed. He said that the question of negro suffrage was not necessarily involved in the discussion, but at the same time he claimed that it was the province of the superior race to decide when the inferior race should be admitted to the exercise of political power. The governing power ought not, in his opinion, to be placed in the hands of the ignorant and recently enfranchised people of any race. Alluding to Judge GARVIN's remark about JOHN G. SAXE, he said he had found that the best Democrats in the United States were in the New-England States, for there they were compelled to fight for principle, and in a hopeless minority.

The following extracts embrace the most important passages of the oration:

The Declaration of Independence was a bold and manly declaration of liberty. It contained within itself its own justification; but it contained in itself no foundation for a future government. It would not have been consummated for nearly a century if it had not been for the fruit it brought forth. First, the Articles of Confederation; and second, the Constitution of the United States. (Loud applause.) The Declaration declared that all men were created equal. But it was the province of the framers of the Constitution to form a system which would preserve that equality. The Declaration declared the grievances the colonists suffered from the King, but it was the duty of the framers of the Constitution to provide a form of government which would prevent such abuses and forever free them from the tyrannical rule of a King. The framers of the Constitution were fully aware of the dangers from which the country had so recently escaped. Nor did they labor under the mistake that usurpation and tyranny were faults proper only to monarchies. Athens, the fairest tyranny at Athens, as well as one at Syracuse, and they provided ample security in the instrument themself against the possibility of those evils coming upon the Government which justified, according to the Declaration of Independence, an appeal to the God of battles. If we lose our liberties it is not the fault of our fathers; it is our shame. [Applause.] In one century (how brief a period in the ordinary life of nations) has passed. This country has grown in population, in territory, in commercial prosperity, as no country ever did before. She became an astonishment and a fear to the nations of the Old World. Parties differed as to the construction of the Constitution as to the relations between the State and the General Government. Hardly had the Constitution been adopted before the ablest minds were engaged in solving questions of great moment. But all parties professed a devotion to the instrument itself. None dare propose fundamental alteration; none so bold as to seek, directly or indirectly, to violate the safeguards of civil and religious liberty which had been so carefully interwoven with our system, the foundation of all of which was local self-government. The right of trial by a jury of peers; the subordination of the military to the civil power; freedom from taxation without representation, were among those civil rights which all contended for. Not a single argument in reference to the relations of the States to the General Government, under the articles of confederation and subsequently under the Constitution, did not involve the question whether we should destroy the fundamental doctrines of our Government, and sever connection with the very description for which King George was driven from the throne, the Declaration of Independence, "a tyrant fit to be ruler of a free people." This great change that has taken place in our Government could not have occurred but by the demoralizing influence of civil war, nor could it have been done until after the people had been gradually educated to the belief that the Constitution was no more sacred than an act of Congress, and could be altered at pleasure to meet English partisan triumphs and to gratify partisan vengeance. The fathers of our system of government never dreamed, would by their courage and sacrifices, and by the establishment of their independence, that the equal title of mankind to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, was undeniable. [Applause.] All experience has shown that these rights could not be secured to any people, except by local governments solely charged with the duty of protecting every citizen in their enjoyment. Their first care, therefore, was to advise the organization of such local governments, and for the purpose of preserving them from foreign aggression a Union of the American people. [Applause.] That those local governments, charged with the protection of "life," "liberty" and "property," and the Union, charged with the political relations of all the States, were each based upon the axiom that the only source of power in the United States is the people, that the people in the States are the only sovereigns in the State and the people of the Union in the States, are the only sovereigns in the Union, and that as the people are immortal, the State and the Union are indestructible, are the natural results of the system. Whatever may be the practical inequality in any State of political or civil right, dependent upon "age," "sex," "race" or "intelligence," such inequality, if inconsistent with the enjoyment of life, liberty, or property by all men, must from the nature and tendency of the free and equal structure of such a society, such political government, be temporary, and as no human intelligence has ever discovered any safer depository of the power to protect life, liberty and property in a community than the people of that community, so nothing but judicial blindness, corruption, imbecility, or a revolutionary design to destroy our system, can seek to destroy the relations so wisely established between the States and the General Government. The right of the people of each State to regulate and modify political and civil privileges as to them shall seem best, is established on the impregnable basis of convenience, a necessity resulting from the natural and inherent traditions, habits and affections of the American people, and can never be transferred by force or fraud to any central authority while the people retain their intelligence and their virtue, and the courage to resist the destruction of the great bulwark of self-government. [Applause.] If an almost unanimous vote, in July, 1861, Congress declared the object and purpose of the war. It was not prosecuted for the purpose of conquest or subjugation, but to defend and maintain the supremacy of the Constitution and to preserve the rights of the States unimpaired. But this war for the maintenance of the supremacy of the Constitution and the rights of the States has been over for more than four years. Are the "objects" and "purposes" of the war accomplished? First it was proclaimed that the States which had been in rebellion had forfeited all rights; the people were at the mercy of the victors; they were slaves which they had conquered with the sword and spear—they had a right to fasten them to their chariot wheels and drag them in their triumphal procession. Their forefathers were made by their masters—were enfranchised and made the governing power, subject only to a writ of error in the shape of a bayonet. Since that time the Freedmen's Bureau bills, the Reconstruction acts, the Tenure-of-Office bill, the action of our military commanders as well as the opinion of the Attorney-General of the United States, have reduced a large portion of the country to a condition much worse than that to which our fathers referred as marking King GEORGE "as a tyrant unfit to be the ruler of a free people." These, they have rendered the military independent of and superior to the civil power; they are taxed without consent. Without free representation, without the power of "choosing" their representatives, they are slaves, they are deprived in many cases of the right of trial by jury. But the Declaration of Independence charged the King with depriving "fundamentally to alter the powers of the Government." And this is true now, not only in reference to the States formerly in rebellion, but in reference to the States of New-York and New-Jersey, and all the States. They are deliberately engaged in an attempt, step by step, to deprive the people of their power of local self-government. Drop, for the moment, all such words as "State sovereignty," "State's rights," &c., which have got to be so misused as to cloud reason. It is the people who are being deceived, and their liberties which are being torn away, while they are drugged with General GRANT and military glory. [Applause.]

Alluding to the proposed Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution, Mr. STOCKTON continued: The Supreme Court of the United States have decided that "Texas" is a district in the Union. Yet the Legislative branch have solemnly enacted "that before the States of Virginia, Mississippi, and Texas shall be admitted to representation in Congress, their several Legislatures, which may be hereafter lawfully organized, shall ratify the Fifteenth Article, which has been proposed by Congress to the several States as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States." The result is, that in the view of the case taken by the highest legal tribunal, the Fifteenth amendment cannot be ratified by the forced action of these States; for, being indissolubly connected with their sister States, they have a free election, and are not and cannot be deprived of representation by any such violence. An amendment so pretended to be adopted would be simply a nullity, and an attempt to enforce it, revolution. [Loud cheers again given.] Instead of succeeding by deception in a fundamental alteration of the Government, they attempt it by force, by violence. It is nothing more. The Constitution itself provides the only means by which it can be amended, that is, by the free vote, the free choice of the original parties to the compact, and those since admitted, expressed in the manner prescribed, which then has force on all, only because they before agreed that that shall be the way they should speak. It is the voice of every State, freely expressed of all—so only can free Governments alter a Constitution. These States are deprived of a free vote. They are to be coerced to a vote that alters the Constitution of the United States and of New-Jersey fundamentally. I pronounce it violence and revolution. (Great applause.) If, my friends, this country is ever conquered and our free institutions overthrown by a foreign foe, they will not die; we will take them with us, as our fathers did, and plant them anew where they will flourish and grow as they have in this land. But if you lose them by cowardice and inaction, if you lose them by corruption and folly, you are stricken down in the shame of self-abasement, man is proved incapable of self-government, and the men who begin already to prate of imperialism and monarchy, and predict military dictatorship, are wiser than you. I can see already, in my imagination, a new land rising out of the wastes of water; I can see the cattle grazing on its thousand hills; I can see its armies spread out on the plains, and its white-sailed ships wafted by every breeze, and, most of all, I see the victims of oppression flocking to its shores, not from Europe only, but from this, the citadel of human liberty, the home of human freedom. Long may it be before such a dream be realized. May our beloved country, guided by wisdom and patriotism, emerge from this its great trial, prosperous and happy, free as the waves that break on her boundless shore, and pure as the spotless sky above her.

Mr. STOCKTON's oration was received with frequent applause.

MISCELLANEOUS ORATORY.

Among the other speakers who were called out after Mr. STOCKTON had finished his oration were Hon. GEORGE W. MILLER, of Rochester, Mayor HALL and JOHN A. FELLOWS. The speeches were all of a very strong partisan character, and gave the exercises the appearance of a political meeting, rather than a celebration of the national anniversary.

Mayor HALL was particularly severe on the Republican Party and General GRANT. He said the New-York was about the only city that celebrated the Fourth of July to-day, and the Democratic Party was the only party in the land that cared about celebrating it. It appeared from a correspondent of the Times that the Washington authorities refused to appropriate any money to celebrate the anniversary, but the Secretary of the Interior had kindly ordered that the national standard be displayed. The people would look in vain for distinguished Radicals making Fourth of July orations. They would find the late Governor of Maine advertised to address the old Army of the Potomac in this City to-night, and thus help keep alive the embers of civil war, but the Society of Cincinnati, to which WASHINGTON belonged, was not invited. But thank the Lord the Tammany Society were here to keep alive the memories of the Revolution and preserve civil liberty. It was especially important that the people noted the hypocrisy of the Republican Party. He happened to know that the Republicans of General Barlow, the Marshal of this District, and also of Mr. Pierrepont, the District-Attorney, were with the Cubans, but such was the character of their instructions from General GRANT that they were compelled to go out of their way to throw obstacles in the path of Cuban independence. And yet the Republican Party claimed in their platforms to sympathize with the oppressed people everywhere. A committee from an Irish meeting in this City had been for weeks trying in vain to get an audience with General GRANT. The Republicans were the only sympathizers with Cuba, but practically they lowered their heads to spite, and, General GRANT was responsible for it. He would venture the prediction that ANDY JOHNSON, (applause,) a man who was nominated and elected by the Republican Party was turned out of his party, so before the end of GRANT's four years he would also be turned out of the party. GRANT might have brought peace to the country, but he had not brought peace to his party—and he was not that. [Applause.] He would also say (and here he spoke only as an individual) that four-fifths of all that was said about the Alabama claims was the sheerest humbug, and was felt by everybody to be so. We might quarrel about the merits that lay behind the conduct of England toward us during the war, but once let Ireland get into difficulty with England, and if they want Alabama from us they will get them. [Applause.] And the same feeling that England manifested toward us four-fifths of us, or at least of the Democratic Party, have toward Ireland and the Orleans. [Applause.] After further remarks about the hypocrisy of the Republican Party and the Administration, Mayor HALL closed by prophesying the success of the Democracy next Fall in the Pennsylvania and New-York elections.

At the close of the exercises the Sachems and members of the Society retired to the adjoining rooms in the Wigwam, where they partook of a liberal collation, gotten up and superintended by Mr. ASHMAN, of the Sinclair House.

Army of the Potomac Society.

A meeting of the officers of the Army of the Potomac was held yesterday morning, at Steinway Hall, for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization. The contest for the office of President appeared to lie between Generals SHERMAN and MCCLELLAN. After several ballots had been taken, General SHERMAN rose and declined the honor of an election; upon which it was proposed to elect him unanimously, and the motion was carried. Vice-Presidents, representing each corps of the army, were then elected; after which the meeting adjourned.

At 3 P. M. the Society again met at Steinway Hall. At the back of the platform was exhibited WALKER's fine painting of the battle of Gettysburg, showing the repulse of LONGSTREET's charge on the 3d of June, 1863. General SHERMAN presided at the meeting, and introduced as the orator of the evening General JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN, Governor of Maine. General CHAMBERLAIN said that the Army of the Potomac was a subject to which it was impossible to do justice. The bravery it had displayed, the hardships it had undergone, the battles it had fought, the victories it had won, were subjects to which justice could never be done. He then referred to the reverses the army had suffered in first taking its field. These were due, he thought, to the fact that the army had not only had the foe in front, but also to protect the city in its rear. He then referred to the sacrifices which, he said, many of the reverses suffered by the army must be credited. He next went on to speak of the victories of the army. After a time, he said, our army had become disciplined, and then victory upon victory followed each other rapidly as the sun rose at noonday. The speaker paid a high compliment to General GRANT, the mention of whose name was loudly cheered. SHERIDAN's, SHERMAN's, MCCLELLAN's, BURNSIDE's and THOMAS' names also met with hearty applause. The orator concluded by speaking of the Republic of the veterans won by the army. Now, he said, the oft-quoted phrase may be repeated with truth, "All quiet on the Potomac."

On the conclusion of the oration those present adjourned to Delmonico's, where a collation was partaken of. General SHERIDAN presided, and among those present were General Meade, Meade, Franklin, Burnside, Spinola, McQuade, Webb, Chamberlain, Mott, Locke, Torbet, Haswell, Casey, Slocum, Upton, Newton, Wright, Sickles, Ingraham, Wainwright, Comstock, Fitz John Porter, Butterfield, Sickles, Hatfield, Hyde, Shaler, and Admiral Farragut.

About 400 persons assembled in the dining hall, and, after the eatables had been disposed of, General SHERIDAN announced that another meeting of the Society would be held at 10 o'clock this morning, to complete the organization of the Society.

The following toasts were then drunk:

1. Our Country—United we stand; divided we fall. 2. The President of the United States—He led our armies to victory and the country to peace. 3. Navy of the United States—We remember its services with great gratitude and admiration. 4. The United States Army. 5. The Volunteer Armies of the United States. 6. The Private Soldier. 7. Our Fallen Comrades. 8. The Battles of the Army of the Potomac. 9. Our Absent Guests. 10. Sweethearts and Wives.

The first toast was responded to by Governor FAIRCHILD, of Wisconsin, who said that we would be brothers to the men of the South if they would only let us. No record of the war should be left if we could have our own way.

The second toast was responded to by General CHAMBERLAIN, who professed his inability to do justice to the theme, but paid a most glowing and eloquent tribute to the gallantry and statesmanship of General GRANT.

Admiral FARRAGUT briefly responded to the third toast.

General Humphreys, General Burnside, General Sharp, Chaplain L. Gaylord, General Meade, General Stannard and General McCandless responded in brief terms to the remaining toasts, after which the company separated.

Organization of the Sixth Corps.

The officers of the gallant Sixth Corps of the Army of the Potomac met at 10 A. M. yesterday at Steinway Hall, for the purpose of effecting a temporary organization. The meeting was called to order by Major-General WILLIAM B. FRANKLIN. On motion of Major-General WRIGHT, General FRANKLIN was appointed Chairman, and Brigadier-General Joseph Jackson was appointed Secretary.

On motion of Brigadier-General JOHN COCHRANE, the following Committee of seven was appointed to report on permanent organization: General John Cochrane, General Calvin E. Pratt, General Thomas H. Neill, Colonel J. J. Little, General George A. Stannard, Colonel E. Sparrow Purdy, and Colonel Daniel J. Newton.

The following Executive Committee was appointed on motion of General JOHN COCHRANE: Major-Generals WM. B. FRANKLIN, H. G. WRIGHT and JOHN SEDGWICK.

The Chairman stated that all who at any time were members of the Sixth Corps are invited to join the organization.

The Executive Committee was empowered to call the Association together at some future day for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization, and the Association adjourned.

Artillery Corps, Army of the Potomac.

A meeting of the artillery officers, formerly connected with the Army of the Potomac, was held at Steinway Hall yesterday, for the purpose of forming a permanent association. The meeting was called to order by General C. S. WAINWRIGHT, who nominated General C. H. TOMPKINS as temporary chairman, and Lieutenant J. A. MILLARD, Jr., for Secretary, which was carried.

General J. G. HAZARD moved that a Committee of seven be appointed by the chair to draft a constitution and by-laws. The chairman appointed the following officers: Major-General G. S. Blunt, Chief of Artillery, Army of Potomac; Major-General Tyler, Brigadier-Generals C. S. Wainwright, J. G. Hazard, J. A. Hall, C. H. Tompkins and Abbott.

The Committee was requested to report at as early a period as practicable.

The following was adopted, on motion of Brigadier-General HALL, that a Committee on Organization be requested to present the name of Major-General H. J. HUNT for President of the Association.

The meeting then adjourned until to-day. Officers formerly connected with the Artillery Corps of the Army of the Potomac are requested to send their full names and addresses, to the Acting Secretary, J. A. MILLARD, No. 168 Fourth-street, for enrollment in the Association.

Governor's Island.

The celebration of the day was unusually tame on Governor's Island, owing to the fact that, as an act of military courtesy to the veterans of the Army of the Potomac, the military band was placed at their disposal for the day. The exercises, therefore, consisted solely of a dress parade of the garrison at noon under command of General THOMAS H. NEILL, accompanied by the firing of a national salute.

Trinity Church.

With the rising of the sun the bells of Old Trinity rang out their joyous welcome to the national birthday. At 9 o'clock in the morning prayers were read by Dr. DIX, and again at 4 P. M. by Dr. WASTON. At intervals throughout the day, until 8:30 P. M., the following pieces were rung by Mr. JAMES E. AYLIFFE: The Changes on Eight Bells, Hail Columbia, Yankee Doodle, Old Dog Tray, Let the Merry Church Bells Ring, On the Field of Glory, Coming Through the Rye, Blue Bells of Scotland, Columbia the Gem of the Ocean, Bould Soger Boy, Auld Lang Syne, Gay Mariner," Chinese Quadrille, Airs from Daughter of the Regiment, and Viva l'America, closing with a repetition of Yankee Doodle.

General Park.

In the Central Park, though the crowd was very large, yet it seemed to partake of the prevailing quiet which marked the celebration of the day. The gay and brilliant equipage with its fashionable occupant had given place to the rusty hack from whence looked strange faces. Yet the crowd, as it flocked along, seemed well dressed with the day and the place; those from the City appeared to lay aside their cares for a spot where even for a day or two they could breathe the uncontaminated odors of living nature, and those from the country because of the opportunity to behold the affluent and fashionable of the City—including the elite themselves. The Mall was the rendezvous of a large and highly entertaining assemblage. The pavilion, shading the heat of the sun, listened to the strains of music discoursed by the band.

The following was the programme of music, commencing at 4 o'cl

are of the British Government to preserve its neutrality.

Beside this question there exist also other questions of a different character, the occupation of the island of San Juan, in the Pacific, which ought to be settled soon; there is the assumption of Great Britain to hold naturalized citizens of the United States, if they were born in Great Britain, amenable for offences under laws and before tribunals which are not and cannot be applied to native-born citizens of the United States.

A grave question arose during the recent rebellion upon the treaty arrangements between the two countries for extradition of criminals. There is a deferred question between the two countries in regard to the fisheries in the North Atlantic waters.

Any one of these questions may at any moment become a subject of exciting controversy; the naturalization question is already working in that way.

It was in view of all these existing sources of controversy that the thought occurred to Her Majesty's government, if decorous to lay a broad foundation for friendly and satisfactory negotiations, possibly think it expedient to suggest a general settlement which all the matters referred to might be considered together, and so a comprehensive settlement might be attempted without exciting the sensibilities which are understood to have caused that Government to insist upon a limited arbitration in the case of the *Alabama* claims.

These explanations may be given informally, if you think proper, to Lord STANLEY, but with the distinct understanding that the United States are not to be assumed as proposing to open a general discussion in regard to the questions referred to, or any of them.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,
WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, Esq., &c., &c., &c.

February 18, 1869. Mr. ADAMS replied to the foregoing dispatch of Mr. SEWARD as follows:

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES,
LONDON, Feb. 18, 1869.

SIR: On Saturday last, the 15th inst., I had a favorable opportunity of meeting Lord STANLEY and of communicating to him the substance of your dispatch No. 3,118 relative to the settlement of a number of claims. The chief portion of it I read to him in your own words, omitting only the last paragraph, precluding any inference that the suggestion thus conveyed was to be considered a proposal to reopen a discussion.

His Lordship said that his desire, as I think I know, had always been so strong to arrive at some terms of agreement with the United States that he would see a way to it he should not stand upon ceremony in the order of initiating it. With respect to one of the subjects referred to in the dispatch, that of indemnity, he believed the feeling was universal in England that some change of the law should follow upon the change of circumstances. If there were inconvenience to us likely to spring from it on this side, it was not less true that equal inconveniences might result in certain cases to them on the other. Some had already been experienced during the late war. In the meantime, if he had been given to Mr. THORNTON, the new Minister, he had intended to propose, in a friendly spirit, to engage in any consultation that might have for its object the arrangement of all existing difficulties on this head.

I said I was very glad to learn this; for just at the present moment there was a more pressing need of removing uneasiness on this score than on any other.

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Reasoning from this, however, his Lordship expressed his doubts whether it would be found more easy to come to an understanding by accumulating all the different topics footed in your dispatch in one heap than by treating each separately. The term "convence," too, was so general that he could not conjecture what was intended by it. The term "conference," too, was so general that he could not conjecture what was intended by it. He should be glad to learn more fully what idea it was intended to convey. I said that I would, if he pleased, communicate that with the proviso, it being understood, that no implication could be raised adverse to the charity or of the precautionary final paragraph in your dispatch.

His Lordship assented to this reserve. So it was understood between us that any idea of the mode of presentation of any overture thereby. I was to ask if you would be willing to convey to me what more fully an idea of what was intended under the term "conference."

I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,
CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS.

Hon. WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of state, Washington, D. C.

On the 7th of March, Mr. SEWARD replied to the above at length, having first consulted the President. The dispatch, however, related chiefly to the uneasiness concerning the naturalization question. This question, affecting so closely the condition of the Fenian prisoners then held in England, Mr. SEWARD urged for immediate settlement, and proposed the adoption of the treaty which Mr. BANCROFT had just made with the Forth German Government, with a single supplemental and additional stipulation. Concerning Lord STANLEY's desire for fuller information as to what was meant by the term "Conference," Mr. SEWARD said:

"I reserve, for the present, the consideration of Lord STANLEY's suggestions relating to a mode of proceeding to adjust the *Alabama* and other questions, because the views I shall have occasion to submit on these subjects will be greatly influenced by the result of the anticipated proceedings in regard to naturalization."

On the same date as the above Mr. ADAMS inclosed to Mr. SEWARD a verbatim report of the debate in the House of Commons on Mr. SHAW LEFEVRE's motion relative to the questions arising from the war. Mr. ADAMS added:

"Although not present myself on this occasion, I learn from several quarters that the temper manifested by the speakers was fair and even friendly. I am inclined to believe that on the Alabama and other claims for damage done by the *Alabama* and some one or two other vessels, Parliament is almost prepared, if it might be adjudged by a competent tribunal ready for the purpose, without any reference to the merits of the case, to pass a vote to pay the amount. In regard to the question of the Fenian prisoners, I think it probable that a vote of sympathy with the United States would be passed, and that the sentiment would be in favor of their release, if it could be arranged, by treaty, if it can happen that we can bring about a mutual release of prisoners on both sides, and a mutual release of prisoners on both sides, and a mutual release of prisoners on both sides, and

have no doubt that the *Alabama* claims will be settled under this Convention.

This Government have yielded in regard to them claims two grounds heretofore positively assumed by them. First, during the period that Lord RUSSELL was in the Foreign Office, that Minister would not recur to privateers at all our demand in regard to them; and, second, during the administration of that office by Lord STANLEY, that envoy would not so raise the question of the right of this Government to have brought to the Joint Commission, as well as Convention, both questions, by the Convention just signed, will be referred to the Commissioners, and on their failure to agree, before the Arbitrator.

I have reason to believe that the abandonment of the grounds originally taken, to which I have referred, has been owing in a great measure to the growing friendly feeling for the United States which has been so strongly exhibited since my arrival in this country. Anticipating that that would be its effect, I determined to lose no time in cultivating such a feeling, while I was forgetting scrupulously to regard the rights and honor of our country. This has been my sole motive in the speeches which I have delivered since reaching England.

The cordiality of such a feeling I also deemed essential to the success of my mission. It is proper that I should add, in conclusion, that both Lord STANLEY and Lord CLARENDON yielded a very ready and cheerful assent to our views on the subject of all the questions involved in the *Alabama* claims, not even having argued a single during the negotiations to establish any of them. And in this I was assisted by their minds being so set that they had yielded to the public sentiment of their own country.

I have the honor to remain, with high respect, your obedient servant, REVERDY JOHNSON.

Hon. WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State, Washington, D. C.

On the 20th January, Mr. SEWARD replied to the foregoing, announcing the President's approval of the two Conventions, and saying that the original of the Claims Convention would then be laid before the Senate, the copy sent to that body Jan. 14 having been framed from the amended copies furnished in the progress of the negotiations.

This concluded the negotiations, and substantially concluded the correspondence on the question. Mr. JOHNSON found it necessary on the 27th of February to write a long letter in defense of his proceedings, which he regards as an ample vindication of himself, and which he asked the President's permission to print a few days ago while here, and thereupon furnished the same to certain Democratic journals. The complete triumph which he therein claims he achieved, as compared with all former efforts to settle this question, will dwindle to infinitesimal proportions when dissected in the light of the correspondence here presented. If the United States Government obtained "all they ever asked" in this Convention, particularly the settlement of the belligerent question, a whole nation has become singularly obtuse in not perceiving, or singularly perverse in not accepting, such vast advantages.

When Mr. JOHNSON learned through the Press how widely different were the views entertained by the people from those expressed by him as covered in the Convention, he sought an interview with Lord CLARENDON to know how he looked upon the question of submitting to arbitration the claims that each Government might present against the other. He says he arrived at no satisfactory result, but telegraphed Secretary FISH that he could get such claims submitted the same as the individual claims, and asked if he would so instruct. Mr. FISH replied that the Convention was in the Senate, and there the matter ended. The Convention was rejected 18 to 1, April 14, 1869. GYMON.

The National Intelligencer—Its Era.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

You invite through your "Minor Topics" a history of the life and times of the old *National Intelligencer* at Washington. The man now living who could do justice to this theme are now few and very far between. Two generations have nearly all passed away since the *National Intelligencer* was established. I have, in my recollection, only one living member of the Press who could write even of the times of the second war with Great Britain, in which the *Intelligencer* was conspicuous as the organ of Mr. MADISON, from personal experience, and he could only say in a qualified sense, "*part of which he saw and all of which he saw.*" [You can substitute the Latin, if you like, but my old field School never went beyond the three R's, Reading, 'Riting and 'Rithmetic.] That man is Mr. THURLOW WEED, and if his physical disabilities but unimpaired mental powers will suffer the labor, (the "excitement," as Mr. AMOS KENDALL once termed it,) of composition, I doubt not you would be pleased, as I am sure your readers would be delighted, to hear from him.

But I have some reading and a somewhat tenacious memory of the political events which succeeded the War of 1812, and in much earlier years than I am now willing to own up to indulged the liveliest interest, man and boy, in the party politics of the country, and I am not ashamed to say, as the old *National Intelligencer* was then conducted, that the great Washington organ of the National Republican and subsequently the Whig Party was my text paper. How many changes of base or complete commentaries of position by some of the greatest men of the country upon its most important measures were discussed by GALES and SEATON, I shall not take the space to fully relate, for the double reason that some of them were before my day and others may involve motives, which, the actors being dead, I would not willingly impeach.

When the War of 1812 was brought to an end by the Treaty of Ghent, (February, 1815,) the Lower House of Congress was illustrated by the presence of WEBSTER, CLAY, CALHOUN, LOWNDES, and a score of members scarcely inferior in ability and their equal in earnestness of conviction and purpose, and it devolved upon the great Congress of 1815, as it is still known in our history, to devise the ways and means of repairing the ravages of the War, of paying off its debt, then called great in proportion to our comparatively small population, and of starting the country upon a fresh career of material prosperity. Mr. CALHOUN, even ahead of Mr. CLAY, who was Speaker of the House, was the champion of the Tariff, indeed of the whole American system, the paternity of which was in after years, when Mr. CALHOUN had turned Free Trader and Nullifier, charged exclusively upon Mr. CLAY. The measures then devised did lead to the extinguishment of the public debt, and in fourteen years, the total being $127,000,000 as its maximum. They were followed up by the tariff of 1816, to which Mr. WEBSTER, then representing the Boston shipping interest, was opposed, as he was to the protective duties of 1816. He pled earnestly and eloquently for the commercial pursuits of New-England, but plead in vain. The bill was passed, and the Yankee people, never poor in resources and seldom slow in turning them to account, abandoned their shipping or left it to its chances, and became manufacturers. Their wealthiest sons, who may have been taught, like the sons of Rob Roy, to despise spinning and weaving and all such mechanical occupations, were transformed into great factory employers, and New-England was soon made the bulwark of the American protective system. Mr. WEBSTER changed front, but was not long in advance of Mr. CALHOUN, who also changed, but to the other side.

The Tariff of 1824 was popular with the Democratic Party. General JACKSON adopted it, and wrote his celebrated Coleman letter in favor of doing everything for ourselves and nothing for Foreign labor. The New-York leaders of the party were for it, and all these great men gave the same support to the still higher protective Tariff of 1828. General JACKSON was defeated for the Presidency in 1824; in 1828 he was again a candidate and was elected after his friends voted for the Tariff of 1828, and as President approved the subsequent bill of 1832, when Mr. CALHOUN and his adherents at the South, who had participated in the Cabinet explosion of 1830, made their opposition to all Tariffs a cardinal principle, and upon this proposed to nullify in the Winter of 1832. GALES and SEATON were always Tariff men. They were not Jackson men; but took part against JACKSON in favor of CLAY and ADAMS in 1825-28, and against him and his successor, Mr. VAN BUREN, from 1829 to 1836. As nearly as such able and independent journalists could cover as ideal, they were devoted to the fortunes of Mr. CLAY, though never forgetting, when he was overruled in the Whig Conventions of 1839 and 1840, their fealty to the Whig cause. They also loved JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, "the old man eloquent," and enjoyed his regard to the last degree of private confidence.

But I find myself running ahead of my chronology. The main purpose of the present letter, after its introduction, was to refer to the rise and history of your earlier Tariffs of Protection. I may go back anon, and say something of Mr. BENTON, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. BLAIR and Mr. KENDALL of the election of 1835 by the House of Representatives, and of the EATON-CALHOUN imbroglio in the JACKSON Cabinet of 1829.

C. C.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

THE LIFE OF JOHN JAMES AUDUBON. Edited by his Widow. New-York: G. P. PUTNAM & SON.

The autobiographies are the most attractive shapes of personal history; and this certainly, in its way, ranks with the very best of the kind extant, having, in fact, a freshness and originality such as was recognized in the Book of Birds itself when it first appeared. This work, though not styled an autobiography, is one, in effect, since it is mainly made up of extracts from AUDUBON's graphic diaries and manuscripts, the property of Mrs. AUDUBON, who connects them with the necessary thread of narrative, and it is, in substance, the same as that life of the naturalist lately published in London—with some few additions, however, and some omissions. It is a highly interesting life-history, having all the truth and character of the artist's early feelings and movements when he set himself to work out, in the midst of difficulties and disappointments, but no discouragements, the cherished and long-maturing idea of his life—"not to be wearied, not to be deterred, not to be overcome." It has the interest of the broad forestry and military rivers of the great West, and the rough existence of its pioneers and explorers, contrasted with the royal palaces, learned societies and fashionable life of Paris, London and Edinburgh; BOONE and HAYNEMAN pass before the reader's eye as one part of the narrative, and, a few pages forward, we are introduced to LOUIS PHILIPPE, Baron CUVIER and Sir WALTER SCOTT.

JOHN JAMES AUDUBON had the natural airy vivacity and self-assertion of a Frenchman, born on the ground of Brittany, of that courageous old Armorican race so especially renowned for romantic fancy and the ardor of adventurous enterprise by sea or land. His grandfather was a fisherman of Sable d'Olonne, in La Vendee, and his father was a sea-boy who worked himself into the command of a sloop first, and a war ship next, and then into the possession of a plantation at St. Domingo, another in Pennsylvania and another at New-Orleans, where he married ANNE MOYNETTE. JOHN JAMES was born there in 1780, and was subsequently carried to reside in St. Domingo. On the death of his mother, in a negro insurrection, he was taken home to La Vendee by his father, who married again and settled there on a good estate. At New-Orleans and St. Domingo, young AUDUBON had early acquired his wandering habits, and his education seems to have been neglected, though he learned—chiefly after his residence in France—mathematics, geography, drawing, and the music of the violin, flute and guitar. He was not very studious of books, and the chief turn and distraction of his life came to him from his early love of bird's nests. He thus came to know birds and then to like and love them; after which he fell into the habit of drawing their portraits with crayons and making little sketches of them. No one ever found out and followed his genius in a simpler and more natural way than did JOHN JAMES AUDUBON. Idleness began it, and the irrepressible vivacity and courage of the man's nature completed the success of his life. But to his father's eye, this idleness seemed very likely to lead to nothing; and when the boy was 17, he sent him to America to look after the plantation of Mill Grove, then tenanted by a Mr. THOMAS. Here JOHN JAMES remained for some time, and then returned to France, where he remained till 1803, when he was 23 years old. He then came back to Mill Grove, married Miss RAKEWELL, sold the plantation, and, in partnership with Mr. ROSIER, went westward to Louisville, in Kentucky, where they set up a store for the sale of whisky, gunpowder and a variety of things needed in that unsettled region. Mr. ROSIER attended to business, while AUDUBON shot wild fowl in the woods and drew their portraits. In four or five years the partnership failed and came to an end, as did some other speculations in mills and river boats; and then AUDUBON, leaving his wife at the house of friends, where she did good service as governess or housekeeper, wandered a good deal about and up and down the Mississippi, giving lessons in crayon-drawing, painting portraits in oil-colors, earning a little here and there, with teaching the fiddle and dancing, and using his gun everywhere to add to the increasing list of his specimens. He practiced drawing and oil-painting with great sedulousness, for the sake of his bird portraits and human portraits, succeeding much better with the former than with the latter—though even with these he contrived to do pretty well, among the unartistical and easily-satisfied folks of the Mississippi Valley.

And so passed the time, in a variety of journeys, adventures and labors, for eighteen years, till, at the age of 48, AUDUBON went to England in 1826, with his portfolio of painted birds—the work of twenty-five years—and "gave himself to fame." He was very confident he had done something the world would not willingly let die; and, even if he were less sanguine by nature, the opinion of the best American judges, such as his friends the Prince of CANINO and VACHER HOLES, would have justified him in his bravest expectations. At Liverpool he was introduced to Lord STANLEY, and became a "lion," with his fur cap, his long, thick hair flowing on his shoulders, and his bold, brown face and flashing eyes full of the natural self-confidence of his American temperament. He made hundreds of pounds by exhibiting his birds at Liverpool and Manchester and painting wild turkeys and other objects on commission. He worked at his easel, before visitors, with bare neck and bare arms, and surprised them by the rapidity of his execution. From Liverpool he went to Manchester, where he was struck by the sad looks and poverty of the people, who, he said, seemed worse off than the negroes of Louisiana—his opinion being, on the whole, like that of General Sir CHAS. NAPIER, who said Manchester was "the entrance of hell realized." He thought Edinburgh "a splendid old city," and said the Scotch fish-wives were very like the Shawanoe squaws of the West. He called on Mr. FRANCIS JEFFREY, who was not at home. "Wrote a note for him in his library, which I found filled with books, tossed about in confusion, pamphlets, portfolios, and dirt." Auld Reekie gave AUDUBON a hospitable reception. He was delighted with the cordial Sir WALTER and the perfervid grasp of the magnificent "Christopher North," who gave him such a "lift" in the next *Blackwood*; he dined and drank with the Earl of ELGIN, and spent a night under the splendid roof of the Douglas himself—the Earl of MORTON. The Countess wrote her name in his subscription book, and offered to pay the price in advance. AUDUBON dines with Captain BASIL HALL, and meets JEFFREY, "who talks with so much volubility that he is rather displeasing." The next touch gives us a true presentment of our naturalist himself: "In the course of the evening JEFFREY seemed to discover that, if he was JEFFREY, I was AUDUBON. Our naturalist records one of the incidents of his Edinburgh visit as follows:

DEC. 19. Went to breakfast with Sir WILLIAM JARDINE and Mr. SELBY at Berry's Hotel. I was sauntering along the streets, thinking of the beautiful aspects of nature, meditating on the power of the great Creator, on the beauty and majesty of his works, and of the skill he has given man to study them, when, the whole train of my thoughts was suddenly arrested by a ragged, sickly-looking beggar boy. His face told of hunger and hardship, and I gave him a shilling and passed on. But turning again, the child was looking after me, and I beckoned him to return. Taking him back to my lodgings, I gave him all the garments I had which were worn, added five shillings more in money, gave him my blessing, and sent him away rejoicing, and feeling myself as if God had smiled on me. I afterward breakfasted with Sir WILLIAM, and gave a lesson in drawing to him and to Mr. SELBY.

But the best of the Edinburgh reception was that LIZARS, the publisher, undertook to bring out the immortal work in numbers—four birds each, and two guineas each—the work to run for eight years and cost each subscriber 160 guineas. This said a great deal for the intellectual pretension of that uncommercial capital of a poor country. AUDUBON was delighted with the Scotch. "It is Mr. AUDUBON here and Mr. AUDUBON there; and I can only hope that Mr. AUDUBON will not be made a conceited fool at last." But there was a great drawback from all this honor and pleasure. They obliged him to cut off his long hair. He let the barber cut it off, remembering during the operation the horrors of the French Revolution when men's hair was cut short before they were sent to the guillotine. He records the fact in his journal, within four dean-mourning borders! In London the THOMAS LAWRENCE, the painter, brings to AUDUBON's a number of gentlemen who buy his picture of the "Otter in a Trap" for twenty guineas, and a number of others for similar solid sums, and leave him "in more amazement." He wished to be introduced to GEORGE IV. and went to Mr. GALLATIN about it, who told him the peevish and gouty King would see nobody—namely the Ambassadors themselves. But he was resolved that his book at least should see the King; and it was presented accordingly; the result of which was that AUDUBON got one subscription from gentleman GEORGE, and permission to publish under his patronage. While in London he withdrew the publication from Mr. LIZARS, whose colorers had "struck work," and gave it to a London engraver, Mr. HAVELL, who had a greater facility of coloring.

The next stage of this highly-interesting narrative brings us into the midst of the grand monde of Paris, where he finds less show of wealth than in London, but more ease and cordiality. He sees CUVIER and thus describes a visit to the Baron's "workshop:"

"I have also been again at CUVIER's to-day, to introduce Mr. PARKER, to begin his portrait. You would like to hear more of CUVIER and his house. Well, we rang the bell, and a waiter came, and desired that we would wipe our feet; we needed it, for we were very muddy. This over, we followed the man up-stairs, and in the first room we entered I saw a slight figure in black gliding out at an opposite door like a sylph. It was Miss CUVIER, not quite ready to receive company. Off she flew, like a dove to some falcons. However, we followed our man, who every moment turned to us, and repeated 'This way, gentlemen.' Then we passed through eight rooms filled with beds or books, and at last reached a sort of laboratory, the sanctum-sanctorum of CUVIER; nothing there but books, the skeletons of animals, and reptiles. Our conductor bid us sit, and left us to seek for the Baron. My eyes were occupied in the interval in examining the study of this great man, and my mind in reflecting on the wonders of his knowledge. All but order was about his books, and I concluded that he read and studied, and was not fond of books because he was the owner of them, as some great men seem to be whom I have known. Our conductor returned directly, and led us to another laboratory, where we found the Baron. Great men show politeness in a particular way; they receive you without much demonstration; a smile suffices to assure you that you are welcome, and keep about their avocations as if you were a member of the family."

AUDUBON saw the Prince of Ensling (son of MASSENA) GEOFFROY ST. HILAIRE, the Duke of ORLEANS and other distinguished men, and his accounts of them are very interesting. He went back to London with thirteen French subscriptions. In 1826, he returned to America and spent a year gathering specimens on the New-Jersey swamps; after which, in 1830, he went again to London, accompanied by his wife. He prepared his "Ornithological Biography" of the Birds of America, and paid MCGILLIVRAY, the Scotch naturalist, to go over his manuscript, rectify its grammar and bring it out correctly. He was now at ease in his circumstances; but he still worked on, and spent the year 1831 in East Florida. His "Florida Episodes," as he calls them, are full of graphic descriptions, conveyed in a very lively narrative style. These are followed by his "episodes" of travel to the British Provinces, Labrador, and their adjacent islands, which he explored for the sake of their winged inhabitants, observing everything and making a variety of interesting notes and comments. At Bras d' Or, a self-sufficient lady began to talk of the fine arts, and then pointed to some pictures on the wall for which she had paid one shilling each, frames included. Our naturalist was inclined to be satirical, till he saw her get up, and, going to her little boy who was tormenting a *skeiks*, take it from him, kiss it with tenderness and then gently launch it into the air. "This made me quite forget the tattle about the fine arts."

In 1834 AUDUBON again went to London, where he had his remarkable interview with the rich Baron ROTHSCHILD, who did not care for birds, and then he went to Edinburgh with his family, where he lived for a year and a half. He made other excursions in America and another visit to England in 1836. In 1839 he settled in New-York, intending to wander no more. But he made still another excursion—into the great western prairies and up the Missouri to the Yellowstone River, writing journals which have been largely printed in his three volumes on the *Quadrupeds of North America*, published in 1846, 1851 and 1854. He passed the last years of his life happily and peacefully at his pretty villa on the site near Tenth-avenue, which is now called "Audubon's Park." It is remarkable that a mind so bright and active as his, in a body so constitutionally temperate, should have begun to give way and weaken in his 67th year. He died in 1851, over 71 years old, and was buried at Trinity Church Cemetery, near his house, where his two sons are now lying beside him in the family vault.

AUDUBON was at one time called "The Man of the Woods;" but his natural cheerfulness and vivacity made him also a man of the world; and it is this double character of his genius that gives to everything he has written a charm which takes the general reader as much as it interests the natural philosopher. The book before us exhibits on its frontispiece a striking portrait of AUDUBON, such as he appeared in the day of his gay personal pretension—before the British had deprived him of his *terrible cravat*—showing in its lineaments that mixture of fancifulness and firmness which gave his character such a happy singularity. Another portrait might have accompanied this with the most becoming propriety and effect—that of a gracious and good-looking elderly lady whose photograph, bearing the name of AUDUBON, may be seen in one of the artists' galleries on Broadway.

THE SEXES, HERE AND HEREAFTER. By WILLIAM HOLCOMBE, M. D. Philadelphia: LIPPINCOTT & Co.

Dr. HOLCOMBE's theory is that there is a binary system, or a sex, in all the varieties of creation; not alone in the organic nature of animals and plants, but also in the conditions of what is called inorganic matter; a dual principle which produces and gives life to everything. As regards the organisms, there is no doubt of it; and there is no gainsaying that it may be true also with respect to all the rest in this world. But he wishes to carry his creed further than this world, and his book is meant to argue that marriages are also made in Heaven—that is, spiritual marriages; the liberated spirit always feeling the necessity of having its sexual duplicate as the main condition and crowning of its felicity. This is a very agreeable and harmless dream, which, indeed, for anything that any one can say against it, may yet turn out to be a reality as well. The Doctor's theory in the matter is that of SWEDENBORG, a man whose philosophy he greatly admires and vindicates, and who in his time made such a great many strange revelations, and now and then such very frank ones. He (SWEDENBORG) tells us how he first got the affiatus which did him such remarkable service for the rest of his life. He was sitting, he says, one evening in a London tavern, after a very hearty dinner, and there, in a reverie, with his eyes cast down, he saw a number of strange little objects creeping and crawling, as it were, on the floor; and while in this state of mind, he says, the Divine Lord distinctly addressed him and advised him not to eat so much as he was accustomed to do. He making this confession in good faith, no doubt, and he deserves a good deal of credit for it. He had subsequent visions, as everybody knows; but it is remarkable enough that he advises people against them, and says they are dangerous and hurtful to the soul. This part of his theory seems inconsistent, for if there was good in them visions, he should have encouraged all men to take part in it. Be that as it may, Dr. HOLCOMBE quotes SWEDENBORG with approval, and especially where the visionary draws a picture of conjugal love in Heaven, as witnessed with his own eyes. This picture represents a man and woman—a wedded pair—riding together in a beautiful chariot, ornamented and studded with diamonds of unspeakable value, and worthy of the blessedness of Paradise. The husband was "one resplendent comeliness," and the wife "was of such a splendor of flaming light in her face," that "he saw it and did not see it," because it was "such as the angels enjoy." "She had a necklace of carbuncles, from which hung a rosary of chrysolites; and she wore pearl bracelets. Her robe was scarlet, and fastened in front with a clasp of rubies." Our author also quotes with a pardonable rapture the description of a wedding in Heaven, given in the best style of the Swedish seer. The bridegroom's costume is minutely described, and also that of the bride, who wore "a girdle of gold and a golden crown set with rubies." After the wedding came the feast—it is described in our author's book—and then the wedded pair retired. SWEDENBORG enjoys a high reputation with our intellectual Spiritualists, who rank him among the most celebrated teachers of mankind. Our author, who accepts his visions, believes that marriages of the earth will be renewed in Heaven—that is, if the parties have agreed well together—if not, not; and that the unmarried who go to Heaven will be provided with wives to suit them in that place, being first united by the wedding ceremony. These ideas are beautiful and comfortable we admit, though not prepared to assent to everything SWEDENBORG sets forth. There are many things beyond our ability to accept without reserve, however gracefully they may be recommended by the eloquence of our author. But when the latter comes to his arguments about mundane marriages, we think he is very happy, and right beyond any doubt or contradiction. His ideas have much good sense and beauty in them, beautifully bodied forth and worthy of general acceptation—resembling, in fact, those of the poet TENNYSON, so mistically enounced in his "Princess" and elsewhere in his works. For the rest, it may be observed that this volume is printed on that soft opal-colored paper which pleases the eye so much—as a soft tint pleases the ear—and which Mr. LIPPINCOTT so judiciously uses in bringing out his books.

UTAH TERRITORY.

Condition of the Great Mormon Missionaries for Europe—Want of a Good Hotel in Salt Lake City.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SALT LAKE CITY, Tuesday, June 15, 1869.

A fortnight ago everybody was complaining of the unusually wet and cold weather, and many persons indulged in rather strong language about the rain, and the consequent mud. Gardeners complained that "things didn't grow," but farmers were more satisfied, as the wheat and the grass were thriving finely, some of the Fall wheat being then in ear—it is now turning color. During the past fortnight, however, the atmosphere and the comments thereon have been of an entirely different cast. Now the great heat is the uppermost subject of complaint, and truly the weather has been warm, and somewhat trying to the constitution, with so much wet and cold immediately preceding the heat. The wishes now are for rain—a heavy, soaking shower, and one fortnightly through the hot season.

THE CROPS.

But the crops, how promising they do appear—never better. In Cache and Ogden Valleys, north, the grasshoppers have done a large amount of damage; also in the extreme southern portion of the Territory. But in Salt Lake, Tooele, Utah, Juab and San Pete Valleys, the central counties, very little damage has been done by them, and the crops of grain, grass, vegetables, and in some places of fruit, look magnificent. The grasshoppers have commenced to fly, and they may do much injury in places which they have not yet visited this season. Cache Valley has been afflicted with these pests four successive seasons, enough to disgust the meekest and most Job-like farmer; for one heavy visitation of these devouring creatures is enough to satisfy any ordinary man, so that he will never care to see another grasshopper during his mortal career. In this city many of the fruit trees show effects of the ravages of the past year in the dearth of fruit and the plentitude of naked and dead branches. A grasshopper visitation in Spring is worse than one in Summer, because in the earlier season, although the insects are smaller, they stay longer, and all vegetation being young and tender, suffers accordingly, growth being intercepted; whereas in Summer the tougher or harder leaves and plants are likely to escape, and some crops will be almost certain to mature, with little injury.

DEPARTURE OF MORMON MISSIONARIES.

Several parties of Mormon missionaries have left this city the past few weeks, chiefly for Europe. Their route has been over the Union Pacific Railroad to New-York City; thence to Liverpool, and thence to the several immediate localities of their respective destinations. This season's Mormon emigration, too, is on the way. The first company from Liverpool, and also over the Union Pacific, is expected to arrive in this city early next week. Coming now by steam and rail from Liverpool to about thirty miles from this city, the pilgrimage of these "saints" is in striking contrast to that of their devoted brethren and sisters a dozen years ago, when to a sometimes two months' voyage, by sailing vessel over the Atlantic was added a thirteen hundred miles' and three to four months' journey with the horrible handcarts over the sandy plains and across the Rocky Mountains to the same goal by the waters of the Great Salt Lake. How the whole journey can be accomplished in three weeks. Then it frequently occupied nearly half a year. Now it is a pleasure trip. Then it was the occasion of much privation and suffering, and not unfrequently it proved the means of breaking down the constitution, through change of climate and fare, excessive labor and unavoidable deprivation of accustomed comforts, conveniences, and even necessaries.

CONDITION OF BUSINESS.

Business still continues dull here, and provisions are high. Flour sells from $8 to $10 per hundred. It is the "imported" flour that keeps the figures down to $8. Just as soon as California or "States" flour is scarce in the market the prices go up. Last week and the week before, 40 and 50 cts per barrel were asked. Toward the close of last week the arrival of some California flour promptly brought the quotations down to $8. Grain fetches from $3 to $5 per bushel. Meantime the farmers, the more fortunate of them, are in clover, for merchandise generally is cheaper now than ever before. Workers at trades, however, suffer, for there is little business going on to employ them. Building is at a stand-still.

SALT LAKE CITY'S WANT.

There is a great want at Salt Lake and at Ogden, and that want is of a first-class hotel and of a really good second-class hotel at each place. Hotels there are in these cities, but they do not appear to give satisfaction to the traveling public. Perhaps in these instances, as in some others, the demand will soon induce a satisfactory supply. It will be well for both cities, as well as the public generally, if such be the case.

INTERESTING TO TRAVELERS.

Passengers by rail from the East to this city, instead of being set down at Taylor's Mill Switch, are now landed at Deseret Switch, near the mouth of Weber Canyon, reaching this city by a stage ride of little more than thirty miles, six or seven miles less distance than from Taylor's Mill Switch. Passengers by rail from California to this city will take the extra six or seven miles by rail and as much less by stage, until the connecting line to this city be built, when a reverse change will be made, and all passengers for Ogden and Salt Lake Cities will be set down at Ogden, at the junction of the Utah Central with the Pacific Road. The trains have recommenced to take up and set down passengers at Ogden, where it is now stated, and very generally and confidently believed, that the junction of the Union and Central Pacific Roads will be made; also that a switch will be soon laid down there, and a depot established.

BRIGHAM YOUNG.

BRIGHAM YOUNG and a number of others are on a tour to Bear Lake Valley, northeast, and Ogden Valley going, and Cache Valley returning. They are expected to be away about a fortnight. On Saturday and Sunday last they had a great time at Ogden, preaching and shooting. On the way from this to that city, BRIGHAM located definitely the route of the Utah Central Railroad, near the settlements, and the points for the several intermediate depots. The surveyors are busy on the road; a number of grading parties are already at work and more are waiting to commence. There is to be no curve of more than three degrees, nor any grade exceeding forty feet to the mile. The cutting and heading parties are at work. The ties are all to be of red pine or black balsam, sawn and of liberal dimensions. BRIGHAM has expressed the determination to make the Utah Central one of the best and safest roads in the Union, which he will be very likely to do, as in building matters he belongs an almost English proximity toward the solid, the substantial and the enduring.

TENNESSEE.

Disgraceful Conduct of Stokes and Senter on the Stump—The Real Issue in Tennessee—Where Gurney Administration Should Stand.

From Our Own Correspondent.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Thursday, July 1, 1869.

Day by day the canvass between STOKES and SENTER and their partisans has increased in bitterness. The grave issues now before the people are lost sight of, and a bitter personal controversy is carried on, in which the vilest abuse is freely indulged in. The matter culminated yesterday at Clinton, the county town of Anderson, the adjoining county to ours on the north, where a personal encounter between the candidates was avoided by the refusal of STOKES to fight on the spot. To understand the real issue presented in this personal controversy, it is only necessary to repeat what I have once before said, that the question in dispute between the candidates is, who was the worst rebel of the two. STOKES wrote the Duncan letter, and enrolled himself to resist the usurpations of LINCOLN. SENTER was in the rebel Legislature, voted bounties for volunteers to the rebel army, and made violent speeches in the rebel cause. STOKES says he entered the army soon after he wrote that letter, and "fought out of it." His record since June, 1861, has been straight. SENTER's record is mixed up to some time in 1863. I do not know personally anything concerning either gentleman, but give the substance of their charges. Well, at Clinton yesterday, SENTER was particularly severe on STOKES' military record, and substantially accused him of cowardice. In reply STOKES said:

"Fellow-citizens! I have a wife and children from whom I should grieve to part. You Brell Governor SENTER I will hold him personally responsible, after the election, for what he has said to-day. If he considers himself a gentleman, I challenge him to meet me after the election as a gentleman, and I will then see who is the coward and who the man. I denounce SENTER as a liar, and I am ready to meet him any time after the election."

Governor SENTER, who was sitting immediately in the rear of STOKES, coolly arose and informed STOKES that he was ready to meet him now, or at any time agreeable to him (STOKES) previous to the election, but would prefer to settle the difficulty without delay. He therefore invited STOKES to step out on the field in rear of the stand and obtain satisfaction.

STOKES replied that he would settle the affair after the election.

This is the account of STOKES's remarks as given by SENTER's friends. I, of course, do not know just what did pass, and I have no desire to misrepresent either one. I have no interest in the matter. I feel in common with hundreds and thousands of Republicans that our party is disgraced by the course these men are pursuing, and will be greatly injured thereby. I have no personal ill will or malice toward either party, but I am determined to show just how they are managing the canvass and just how far they are entitled to the support of true, honest men. Your Washington correspondent has very fairly stated the condition of things here, and it is time the people of the country understood it. There are many men in the Stokes' party who are bitter, proscriptive and vindictive, but there are thousands who support him who have no objections to universal suffrage, and if that was the issue to be determined in the selection of Governor would feel as though SENTER had some claims upon them. But the Governor has no control of the suffrage question. That is he cannot amend the law. He can, through the Registers, give certificates, but that is not the means prescribed by law, and in such an effort he is not entitled to claim the support of Republicans. The Legislature has power to inaugurate the legal remedies, and in securing a majority in that body favorable to an enlargement of the suffrage the liberal men of the party will aid. But SENTER in himself can do nothing toward securing this enlargement save by his influence with the Legislature. The real objection to SENTER is, he is backed by the corrupt railroad ring of the State, who have now combined to break down the credit of the State by their combinations in Wall-street, and that if elected he will screen and protect them. His movements are also in favor of ANDREW JOHNSON. BROWNLOW is so far controlled by the railroad interests, and so far deficient in judgment, that he is lending his name and what little influence he now possesses to secure the election of JOHNSON to the Senate. Of course he does not openly favor this; but he is supporting a movement now which must result in that, and which, when once begun, he cannot control. There can be no question as to what will be the result if SENTER is elected. It insures the ascendancy of the old Democratic Party in Tennessee. If SENTER is elected, the Republican Party is under the heels of the Democracy, and will be for many years to come.

There is one relief from this result, which will also place the party properly before the world on the suffrage question. The Republicans of Tennessee can elect STOKES and can elect a Republican Legislature which will enlarge the franchise and institute prompt measures of retrenchment and reform. This can be done and ought to be done.

SENTER can only secure his election by the immediate enfranchisement of every man now under disabilities. This is Universal Suffrage, which means the ascendancy of the Democracy and the election of ANDREW JOHNSON to the Senate.

The Administration of President GRANT should not long hesitate, as to which party is entitled to its support. It can support STOKES and support candidates for the Legislature who will enlarge the franchise, and in this way be perfectly consistent with its well known liberality. OMEGA.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Commencement at the University of South Carolina. Degrees Conferred—Burlesque and Fun—Anniversary of the University Ugly Club—Commencement of the Ursuline (Catholic) Institute.

From Our Own Correspondent.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Wednesday, June 30.

Yesterday were held the Commencement exercises of the University of South Carolina. This day—here called the Public Day—closes the annual session of the institution. A vacation now commences, to continue until the 1st of October. The examinations in the various schools have occupied eleven days.

The total number of graduations, including all the departments, to-day is 32, the failures being 17. The superior grade of Proficient, a degree given for satisfactory attainments in a department of a school, (as in engineering, a part of the School of Mathematics,) was conferred upon seven; four in engineering and three in geology. The degree of A. B. was conferred upon five, and that of M. D. upon three. No higher degrees were granted. In the Junior classes 40 attained the first division, which is termed "distinguished." The examinations are always conducted in writing, and are very searching. To illustrate the thoroughness of the examinations, the School of Mathematics will serve. In this School ten applied for graduation from the Senior Class; and of these only three attained it, while seven failed. And in the Junior Class, while seventeen applied for Certificates of Distinction (first division) only eight attained that rank—less than half. Mathematics, however, is regarded as the hardest branch in the curriculum. The Commencement exercises were exceedingly quiet. The weather was hot, and a small crowd only cared to brave the heat. Professor BARNWELL's Baccalaureate Address was temperate and scholarly, as everything from that veteran scholar always is.

Connected with the Commencement exercises are some customs that may be interesting to distant readers. One of these is the anniversary of the Ugly Club. This Club has no legal relations to the University, but is a spontaneous outgrowth of the spirit of fun natural to the young. Its object is fun. On the afternoon before the Public Day, a platform was erected in the middle of the campus, with a table and three chairs on it, and around were arranged seats for spectators. The time and place had been announced in the morning papers. At 6 o'clock, accordingly, the Club, consisting of about twenty members, marched in procession to the platform, and while the officers took seats on the rostrum, the others dispersed among the audience, which consisted of both ladies and gentlemen. The officers were a President, an Orator and a Secretary. The President then arose and presented the Orator to the audience. This latter functionary delivered his Anniversary Oration. His subject was, "The Utility of Ugliness." After giving a burlesque but very grave demonstration of the practical utility of ugliness, especially to ladies, the Orator proceeded to illustrate his theme by living examples of ugliness around him. This consisted of a running fire at almost every student in the institution, ridiculing a foible here and paying a left-handed compliment there—referring to the stammer, the blunder, or the antic of some one present in such way as to illustrate the theme—introducing another for some peculiarity that became perfectly indicrous as soon as mentioned—embracing the vocabulary of badinage, gibe, hyperbole, burlesque, anti-climax, and punning—and all the while like a pulpit orator, gesticulating in his better sentiments; but necessarily so local and personal as not to bear repetition readily. The hits were freely applauded. After the regular orator there was a distribution of prizes. First—To the ugliest man in the University, a pair of boots; these were coarse heavy boots of the largest size, although the recipient certainly had a neat and small foot. The recipient was called for vent by name, and the boots were presented with all due formality, (like a degree in the University,) in an appropriate speech. Second—To the laziest man, a miniature arm-chair, as much too small for use as the boots were too large for the other. Third—To the most conceited man, a small looking-glass, accompanied with the President's wish that everybody could only think as much of him as he did of himself. Fourth—To the biggest baby, a huge stick of red candy. Fifth—To the prettiest man, a finely-dressed China doll. Sixth—To the biggest fool, a fool's cap of parti-colored tissue paper extracted from a German toy cracker. This piece of pleasantry was well received, and the parties distinguished with prizes received them with the best possible grace. The whole affair passed off pleasantly.

CATHOLIC FEMALE COLLEGE.

On the same day—Tuesday, the 29th—of the Public Day of the University of South Carolina, was held the annual Commencement of the Ursuline Institute, at Valle Crucis, within a few miles of this city. This convent is under the superintendency of a Mother Superior who is a sister of Bishop LYNCH, of this diocese. Since the destruction of the convent buildings in the city by SHERMAN's army, in 1865, this community of Ursulines have been struggling on under great disadvantages, occupying a country residence nearly three miles from the city. The present Commencement exercises were on a limited scale; but the concert music furnished gives particular proof of successful work in this line. These nuns are well known even beyond this outside community for the thoroughness in teaching and discipline. While they keep obedience all the while in view, they develop the principle of love in evoking the affection of their pupils. BOISE.

THE SOLAR ECLIPSE

Arrangements by Clermontons Smith for Observations of the Eclipse on the 7th of August.

To Meteorological Observers along the line of totality in the United States:

As the United States Observatory is to have all its available force in the field, expecting to contribute its full share of labor on this occasion, it is desirable that, during the compass of the sun, as mentioned, observations should be made within the belt of totality, with a barometer, a dry-bulb thermometer, a wet-bulb thermometer, a solar thermometer, with blackened bulb inclosed in glass, in a glass cylinder from which air has been exhausted, and an actinometer.

The barometer should be suspended in the shade, and if provided with a thermometer, the temperature should be determined at each reading. The dry and wet-bulb thermometers should be suspended in the shade in such a manner as to prevent, as far as possible, the abnormal influence of radiation from surrounding bodies, and at the same time secure a free circulation of the air.

The solar thermometer should be placed in slender wooden crutches, about six inches above the green grass of a field or lawn, and in a locality where the direct solar rays shall re

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

INDEPENDENCE DAY.

The celebration of the anniversary of the nation's birthday, yesterday, in this City and throughout the country, was general and extensive as heretofore. In this City the day opened with the usual military parade. This took place at the early but sensible hour of 7 o'clock A. M., and was witnessed by a very small part of the population. Only about 5,000 men appeared in line. During the day Central Park was filled with a gay, orderly and quiet crowd, which generally dispensed with noisy crackers and enjoyed the music on the Mall and lake. The Tammany Society celebrated the occasion after the usual custom at Tammany Hall, in Fourteenth-street. JOHN P. STOCKTON, United States Senator from New-Jersey, delivered the oration, and among the other speakers were Mayor HALL, Hon. GEORGE W. MILLER, of Rochester, and JOHN A. FIELDEN. Grand Sachem WM. M. TWEED presided, and Grafulla's Seventh Regiment Band furnished the music. The inmates of the public institutions on Blackwell's and Randall's Islands were treated to rest, refreshments, exercises, fireworks and speeches. The Sixth Army Corps, the Army of the Gulf and the Army of the Potomac societies indulged in reunions, which partook of a social character, except in the latter instance, where a spirited contest between Generals MCCLELLAN and SHERIDAN resulted in the election of the latter as President. The fireworks at City Hall, (the best display in many years,) at Madison and Union squares and the Battery, were highly successful displays. In Brooklyn the day was marked by the customary enthusiasm and spirit.

CUBA.

A severe battle between two Spanish brigades and General JORDAN'S men, near Holguin, is reported by way of Washington. It is stated that the Spanish troops made the attack; that the battle lasted eight hours; that the Spaniards were finally repulsed; that each side lost in killed and wounded about two hundred men; and that the Spaniards outnumbered the Cubans and Americans two to one. In this City, yesterday, about two hundred Cubans paraded, in partial celebration of the National holiday, and carried with them American and Cuban flags. The procession included nearly all of the men recently released from the Navy-yard.

GENERAL.

Election in Virginia takes place to-day. No serious trouble is apprehended, but, nevertheless, extensive preparations have been made to meet trouble should any occur. In Richmond a hundred special policemen have been appointed, of these fifty are black. Yesterday the colored people held a political camp-meeting in the park, at Richmond, during the entire day. In the afternoon Governor WELLS addressed the meeting. All was quiet in the city during the evening.

A special Treasury detective arrested two women in Augusta, Ga., a few days ago, who had in their possession a large amount of Treasury notes, which had been stolen from the Department in Washington, and which contained forged signatures. The women implicated the new colored Postmaster of Augusta, and so he also was arrested. A secret investigation is in progress.

The mills of W. W. COOKE & SONS, in Whitehall, and a large quantity of lumber were destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss is estimated at from $60,000 to $75,000.

Great preparations are making in Baltimore for the proper celebration of the bi-annual musical festival of the Northeastern Sangerbund of America, commencing the 10th and ending the 14th inst. It is expected that a large majority of the members of the one hundred and sixty or more societies will be present, and also a number of eminent composers from Europe and representatives of European societies. The Sangerbund comprises societies from the Eastern, Middle and Southern States, and its festivals are held only in New-York, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Bids for twenty-year six per cent. bonds of Middletown, Conn., to the amount of $240,000, were opened there on June yesterday by the Treasurer of the Air-line Railroad Company. The bids aggregated to $260,000, at par to $5,100 premium. The Farmers and Mechanics' Savings Bank of Middletown, took the lot.

General JESSE C. H. MCILVAINE, formerly a somewhat prominent politician of Missouri, and State Senator, died very suddenly at the residence of his brother, in St. Louis, on Friday. In the State Senate he represented the Counties of Washington, Jefferson and St. Francois. He was 49 years of age.

An altercation occurred between two boys, named JOHN GARROLS and CHARLES MOSHER, in Albany, on Saturday afternoon, during which Mosher stabbed the other with a jacknife in the left breast about the heart, inflicting a mortal wound. When MOSHER saw what he had done he fled. The boys were each only about 16 years old.

A large meeting of the Ex-Confederate soldiers was held in Memphis on Thursday, and a "Confederate Relief and Historical Association" was formed, with Ex-Governor HARRIS, of Tennessee, as President, and General FARROW ANDERSON as Vice-President. The main objects of the Association are "the relief of the destitute soldiers, their widows and orphans, and the collection of records pertaining to the late war."

A heavy stone was discovered on the track of the Rocky River Railroad, near Cincinnati, on Saturday, and removed just in time to prevent a serious accident to an approaching train crowded with children, on their way to a picnic. A boy, who was noticed running away from the track, was caught, and, being questioned, finally confessed that he had placed the stone on the track. On attempting to arrest him the railroad officers were fought by the father and neighbors of the boy. He was finally taken off to the city and locked up.

It is reported that there is a deep and widespread feeling in Richmond that the breaking of the chain bridge between that city and Vauxhall Island, the other day, when it was crowded with people on their way to the conservative meeting, was not accidental, but the work of some political enemy. Subscription lists have been opened in Richmond for the benefit of the families of the two policemen killed by the falling of the bridge.

RICHARD REALF, "old JOHN BROWN's" right hand man at Harper's Ferry, and the youngest of his band, was recently appointed an Assistant-Assessor of the Internal Revenue in the District of Edgefield, South Carolina.

The first public meeting of the Woman's Suffrage Convention in Buffalo, was held Sunday evening at St. James Hall. Addresses were made by Mrs. STANTON, Miss ANTHONY, Mrs. BLOOMER, Mrs. LIVERMORE and others.

The Society of the Army of the Potomac met yesterday at Steinway Hall and elected General SHERIDAN as President. They afterward listened to an oration by General CHAMBERLAIN and subsequently adjourned to Delmonico's.

An exhibition of the new oxy-hydrogen light was given at Madison-square last evening.

The Board of Supervisors met yesterday and received the assessment rolls of real and personal estate for the present year. A large number of Court-house and other bills were ordered to be paid.

The match game between the University nines, of Yale and Harvard, was played yesterday, resulting in a victory for the latter.

The Athletics and Atlantics played a social game at the Capitoline Grounds, Brooklyn, yesterday. It was won by the latter, the score standing 21 to 43. Several thousand people witnessed the contest, which, on the whole, was very tame.

Transactions in beef cattle yesterday were so light as to be scarcely worth reporting. At the National Yards, One Hundredth-street, there were but a few beeves, and even none of them were sold at noon. A few sales of sheep and lambs were made at Forty-eighth-street and at Fortieth-street markets. About 300 Lambs, each weighing about 48 lbs., were sold at 10c. ℔ lb., live weight, which gives a fair idea of the Lamb market. Sheep were more inquired for than usual; good ones were said to be in demand at 8c.@9c. ℔ lb., gross weight. A drove of culls were sold at about $1 50 ℔ head, which would be less than 5c. ℔ lb. Sheep were sold at all intermediate figures between 5c.@9c. ℔ lb., gross weight. Calves were being sold at 5c.@11c. ℔ lb., gross weight. A small drove was sold at $11 ℔ head. Another drove brought about $9 each. Trade in Swine was light. One lot was sold at 9¾c. ℔ lb., live weight, and another lot for 9¼c.

Have Americans any Rights in Cuba?—A Demand for Action and Inquiry.

We have repeatedly called the attention of the Government to the necessity of taking steps for the vindication of the rights of Americans resident in Cuba.

When news reached us by telegraph a few days ago of the execution of two Americans by the Spanish authorities, we called upon President GRANT to direct immediate inquiry into the facts of these cases,—in order that it might be satisfactorily determined whether the men were guilty of the offences charged against them, or whether the Spanish authorities might not have been led to the perpetration of a great crime through their excitement about American filibusters and their anger against American sympathy with the revolution.

There is now more reason than ever why the Government should promptly direct inquiry into the matter. We now know that at least one of the Americans (SHERMAN) who was executed denied being a filibuster, or being in complicity with any filibustering movement. He avowed on oath that he engaged in New-York as a sailor on board the *Grapeshot* for the voyage to Falmouth, not knowing she was to take on filibusters and land them in Cuba. He was left on the Cuban shore against his will, and while employed in unloading a boat, the *Grapeshot* having left very suddenly and unknown to him. He declined taking part with the filibusters after the vessel was gone, and as soon as the Spanish troops appeared he voluntarily surrendered to them. The American Acting Consul at Santiago labored hard to save his life, and so also did the British Consul; but the Spaniards nevertheless proceeded to execute him at their leisure.

We have, along with the report of this case, an account of another case in which a British subject (ROBINSON) was arrested and imprisoned on a Spanish accusation at Matanzas; but the British Commodore PRELLIMORE hastened to the place on an iron-clad and demanded the man's release. The Spanish functionary agreed to the demand, but the troops threatened to kill ROBINSON if released; whereupon the British Commodore, accompanied by a number of naval officers, went ashore, marched to the prison, released ROBINSON, conveyed him to the British ironclad, and thus secured his safety. At the same time he forwarded to the Captain-General explicit demands for full satisfaction in another case of wrong to a British subject.

Are American citizens less entitled to protection and justice in Cuba than British citizens? Are American officers and functionaries less prompt and determined than British officers in enforcing the rights of their countrymen who may be outraged abroad?

The Government must see to this matter at once. There are large numbers of Americans resident in Cuba who have been guilty of no offence against the Spanish power, and toward whom our Government is bound to see there is no wrong perpetrated.

The Summer Exodus.

Probably in no civilized country is there such a hegira of people from their homes in the Summer months as in the United States.

From the city to the country, from the country to the sea, from the sea to the mountains, there is an incessant stream of travelers seeking rest, or change, or society, or solitude, some wanting moist air and some dry, some the luxuries of a hotel, and others the hardships of the wilderness, and all desiring a change of scene and occupation. The climate of this country compels these changes more than that of Europe, or even of our own Eastern coast.

Few families in our cities preserve the health of their children, without giving them a few weeks in Summer in the fields or on the sea beaches. The destroying pestilence amongst city children—cholera infantum—is best of all averted by mountain air. Very few boys or girls grow up to full beauty and vigor in our large cities, who have no vacation in the country. And the experience of all business men in New-York is that the best economy, both of health and pocket, is to give some few weeks of the year to entire change of scene, and to rest or exercise among the mountains or by the sea. Our best-preserved professional and business men, who enjoy more than a fortune in their health, are always those who have made a point of taking their annual vacations, whatever was the pressure of affairs. And in our climate, the business people, even in the country, rarely get through a year healthfully without a brief visit to the sea side. Americans are fast learning the lesson that no success in a profession and no amount of wealth can compensate for a moment the loss of health and nervous vigor.

Our people are fortunate in having such a large selection of different resorts for their Summer residence; all peculiar in their features and attractions. A sea coast, extending, we may say for pleasure purposes, from the mouth of the Chesapeake to the frontiers of Maine, offers itself to the lovers of yachting, sea bathing and sea air. Mountains from the picturesque region of Western Virginia to the wild and solitary Adirondacks and the grand peaks of the White Mountains, present innumerable resorts for those who prefer the pure air and grand scenery of high altitudes.

For those seeking wild life and sporting, the lakes of Maine and the Adirondack lake country will give an entirely new and invigorating recreation. Those more ambitious, may try the salmon fishing in the streams of the Provinces, or buffalo shooting on the Kansas prairies, or explore the "Switzerland of America," the Rocky Mountains, or emulate the Alpine Club among the high peaks and unexplored canyons of the Sierras.

This country offers innumerable resorts for health or amusement during the Summer. The more of our overworked population who can seek them, the better for the popular health.

Will the Cotton Crop Decrease?

The fact of a half crop of cotton the past year, as compared with the best year before the war, is a very important one for our business community, and gives rise to many questions as to the cause of the deficit. Practically to the South, it is this year a matter of no great consequence, as they get more for a half crop than they did for a whole formerly. But prices may fall another year, and the loss of so great a production might be of considerable importance to the country.

Why is it, then, that the South produces only half as much cotton as she did before Emancipation? The first and foremost cause is undoubtedly the war itself. The late terrible struggle has broken up all classes, driving cultivators from one region to another, forcing negroes from the country to the towns, destroying means of communication, machinery, boats, vehicles and animals, killing both white and black laborers, so that the number of the latter is diminished and there is a smaller supply of cotton hands. The South still bleeds from the wounds of war. Furthermore we fear it must be allowed by all candid observers that the increase of the black population has decidedly fallen off since emancipation.

Our readers will remember that one of the results of emancipation in Jamaica was the death of considerable numbers of negro children, through the want of medical attendance. Similar effects are felt in our Southern States. The blacks generally live scattered about in rural districts, and in former times were attended in their sicknesses either by their master's family or by his own physician. Emancipation broke up this arrangement, and freedom has not yet found a substitute.

More than this, the war exposed great numbers of the negroes at the South to severe hardships and diseases, from which they are still suffering. Under slavery, also, the negro woman was kept especially as a "breeder," and the children were well cared for. Probably under the present system, fewer children are born, and more are exposed to the ills from which all laboring classes suffer. There is no doubt a greater average children's mortality.

From these and other causes, the black race at the South is undoubtedly not increasing at the rate it did before the war; but that rate, it must be remembered, though much inferior to our increase in the Free States, was a high one,—having been nearly equal to that of Great Britain every decade. The supply of cotton-laborers is thus falling off in a natural way.

But under the old system every woman and child was utilized for cotton growing. Now the women only work in the most pressing time of the picking, and the children are mainly at school. Thus a considerable portion of the field labor is cut off. Moreover, large numbers of planters have felt it a necessity to give a part of their land to corn and other crops, so as to be less dependent on outside sources for their food; and, in all probability, every negro who has bought his own farm, raises less cotton for himself than he used to for his master, when he was fed with corn and bacon from the West.

All these causes seem sufficient to account for the diminished cotton crop: a want of laborers and cultivators, both black and white; want of capital and implements, and the attention of both the employing and laboring classes turned to other branches of production.

It is not believed by competent observers that the negro works less hard under freedom than under slavery; on the contrary, it is thought by some that the product of cotton to the hand is greater now than it was before emancipation. The production of Georgia—greater than under any year of slavery—seems to point to this. But the important question is, "Will this decrease of the crop continue? Is the negro dying out?" We doubt ourselves, if there is any permanent diminution of the black race going on in the Gulf States. The good wages received by the negroes will soon bring after it improved physical conditions and the aid of medical science. Where money is, there will be physicians and all the necessities of civilization.

The negro is apparently as well adapted to our Southern States as the whites are to the Northern. He may not increase quite as fast under freedom as under slavery; for improved physical conditions have an apparently direct effect in decreasing an unreasonably abundant population. More and more, too, both black and white will be tempted to exclusive cotton culture. With such prices as they have received this year, it must pay better for both to buy corn and bacon of the West, and lay out their whole force on cotton. Capital also is increasing; implements and vehicles are being continually added, and new lands opened; fertilizers are restoring old land; cooperation is securing quite as much cotton from the earth as ever slavery did;—so that, taking all things into consideration,—and especially the sound financial condition of the South,—we believe confidently that this important staple will increase year by year, until it finally reaches its maximum yield in former years—or five millions of bales.

The Upshot of the French Elections.

Now that the feverish agitation of the French elections has passed over, there is an evident disposition on the part of the Opposition to organize their forces in the Corps Legislatif, and to formulate the demands for increased liberty which they feel that they can present with any probability of ultimate success. In consequence of the foolish and unwarrantable violence of the language used by the "irreconcilables" during the canvass, and the fierce personal malignity of the spirit displayed in several of the great cities against NAPOLEON personally, the Government was able to bring about a certain reaction of public feeling in its favor toward the close of the elections, and the wisdom of the Emperor, in carefully refraining from the employment of the soldiers against the people, even in the most hostile districts of Paris, undoubtedly contributed to attain this result. The crisis was bridged over in safety, and what at one moment looked like an incipient revolution was suppressed by the temporary arrest of a comparatively small number of street promenaders in the vicinity of the disturbances. The whole affair, even in its worst phase, was characterized by an absence of anything like the manifestation of a widespread desire for the actual overthrow of the Empire, and, generally speaking, the demonstrations most hostile to the Empire give the impression that those concerned were mainly actuated by the desire to exercise to the utmost the freedom of speech temporarily conferred upon them, and were in a great measure contented by making use of this opportunity of asserting their independence by voting for candidates personally obnoxious to the Emperor. The elections, in short, have acted in Paris as a kind of safety valve for the irrepressible freedom of speech so eminently characteristic of the true Parisian and his congeners in the other great cities of France. "Despotism tempered by epigrams," is the description once applied to the Empire, and it looks as if the Parisians had on this occasion sought to have their epigrams spoken in the Corps Legislatif by deputy rather than content themselves with uttering them at home, or having them printed in sheets only born to be strangled by the censorship.

Now that the factitious excitement of the elections themselves is over, however, we begin by degrees to get some idea of the nature of the tactics about to be adopted by the Opposition members who, whatever the popular impulses to which they owed their election, are now formally installed in their seats. The power to amend the *projets de loi*—or bills—submitted to them by the Council of State, and the right to elect their own President, are among the privileges which they now demand. Whether they are strong enough to enforce their claims with effect, or whether the Empire will in any case concede demands for what would virtually amount to Parliamentary Government, remains to be seen. The Emperor has succeeded admirably in managing the popular effervescence during the elections, but he has now to face a scarcely less serious danger—the persistent claims of an influential party in the Lower Chamber for something approaching at least to representative institutions.

The Fish Question from a New Point of View.

The Fish Commissioners of this State, although they have not been heartily seconded by the Legislature, are very active in earnest endeavors not only to impress the importance of their work upon the people, but also in positive efforts to stock the streams of the State with edible fish. Ex-Commissioner SETH GREENE is at the present time on the Upper Hudson, hatching shad at the rate of a million a day. The effect of this work on the supply of shad will not perhaps be appreciable, owing to the failure of the Legislature to pass laws for the protection of the streams from overfishing, but it will help materially to educate the people to a comprehension of the importance of a work which only the superficial Frenchmen and the barbarous Chinese, of all other nations, appear to thoroughly understand. The time will undoubtedly come when the Hudson will furnish enough shad for all the people of the Metropolis, great as it is to be in the future; but we fear that it will be at a very distant day.

The Fish Commissioners also announce that they have obtained permission from the Central Park Commissioners to erect a hatching house, and begin the culture of fish in the great pleasure ground of the City. When the proposition was originally made in this paper, nearly a year ago, to build a large ichthyological museum in the Park, the project was decided to be impracticable by the Park Commissioners. We are glad to know that the Fish Commissioners have educated them to a proper appreciation of the subject. And now that we are to have the establishment, let it be by all means one worthy of the Park and the City. Without being necessarily as extensive, it should be far more complete and picturesque than the famous French fish farm at Huningue, the most perfect for practical purposes in the world; and as an ichthyological museum it ought to be superior to any in existence. There is no scientific supply of water, with room for any number of trout streams in the Park, and a lake of capacity sufficient to sustain all the fish which need be hatched. The Commissioners have it in their power to add to the Park, by this undertaking, an ornament of great attractiveness and interest, and, indeed, moral positive advantage to the public.

Now that the Fish Commissioners have been successful in this direction, we have to suggest another means by which they can do good service to the public at large. We published in a late number of the TIMES an interesting description of a new market just opened in Forty-second-street. It promises to be a clean one—a very great desideratum in a market, and a particular necessity in New-York markets. The stalls devoted to fish are made of marble slabs, and there is plenty of water to keep them clean. One enterprising dealer has ornamented his stall with a handsome aquarium, in which gold-fish are displayed. Why should not each fish stall itself be an aquarium, in which the fish for sale swim about on exhibition? In every first-class European market and restaurant the fish dealers sell their fish alive; the buyer selects the article he wants, and it is fished up from the stall of flowing water with a net, and delivered to the purchaser alive. In the restaurants the customer selects his fish food while it swims before his eyes. There is no reason why our fish stalls should not be great basins of water, in which the fish could play as if on exhibition. The Fulton Fishmongers' Association, incorporated last Winter, is soon to begin the construction, on the site of its present dilapidated building, of a large and elegant market, to be devoted wholly to the sale of fish. There is no good reason why the stalls in this market should not be of the order suggested, and that fish should not be sold alive from the tanks. Since each stall would have to be supplied with a stream of running water, greater cleanliness could be secured; and much of the peculiar smell which makes fish markets disagreeable places to visit would be avoided. Cannot the influence of the Fish Commissioners and the power of the Metropolitan Health Board combined procure the adoption of this idea by the architects of our future fish markets?

MINOR TOPICS.

Our readers will find in the news columns of the TIMES this morning a comprehensive and interesting summary of all the correspondence that has taken place between Mr. ADAMS and Mr. REVERDY JOHNSON and the Government respecting the *Alabama* negotiations. It presents, we believe, the first authentic and complete history of these negotiations that has appeared in print.

It seems that a number of the weighers, appraisers, examiners, and inspectors of the Collector's office at New-Orleans, have been implicated in the immense sugar frauds that have just been discovered there. Secretary BOUTWELL should see to it that all these functionaries are immediately discharged on proof of their complicity. No matter what may be their politics, or their associations, or their names,—no matter who may be their backers or friends, they should be peremptorily dealt with. And they should not only be dismissed from office,—which is a slight punishment,—but should be handed over to the officers of justice, to be dealt with by the Courts, according to law. An example of this kind would be of incalculable benefit.

If the Chinese are to be permitted to come to this country, the authorities ought to see that they are fairly treated. The California papers give accounts of very reprehensible conduct toward them, on the part of Federal functionaries in San Francisco. The President should look into this. These papers also give accounts of the maltreatment of newly-arrived immigrants by base and brutal white residents of San Francisco. The State and municipal authorities ought to look into this. We should either exclude the Mongolians from this country altogether, or give them the rights of humanity after we have permitted them to come here.

If the Californian who has invented a flying machine will, instead of talking and arguing about it, take the trouble to make a voyage to New-York in it, he will save us a deal of bother. Every now and then we have an aerial machine of which great things are prophesied; but all of them have passed out of sight after a deal of loud talk and anxiety about them. We have no doubt that mankind will be able to navigate the air sometime before the end of the world; but we have been so often disappointed by the inventions of flying machines, that we shall not believe in any of them till we see one that is its own evidence, and needs no other proof or argument.

Mr. BANCROFT got full credit for the naturalization treaties he negotiated with Prussia and other German States; but REVERDY JOHNSON has got very little credit for the naturalization treaty he negotiated with England, during the short term of his mission. It was ratified by the Senate, but was lost sight of by the country amid the dust raised by the rejection of the *Alabama* protocol. In one of his dispatches Mr. JOHNSON says that, on his arrival in England, he at once addressed himself to the settlement of the naturalization question. The English doctrine had grown out of a feudal policy unsuited to the present times, and when he brought it before the English Government, he found they were ready to abandon it, "notwithstanding the uniform decision of her Majesty's Courts, heavy with age and never for a moment questioned by any judicial decision, even up to the moment when our protocol was signed." Of the negotiations he carried through on the subject, Mr. JOHNSON remarks:

"As will be seen, the protocol is more comprehensive than the treaties constituted on the same point with the North German Confederation and other continental States. These latter are subject to restrictions and qualifications that are not to be found in the former. In that the American principle is recognized pure and simple. Whenever a subject of Her Majesty becomes naturalized under any existing law of the United States, his rights are identical with those which belong to a native citizen. His renunciation of his allegiance consequent upon his birth is absolute and cannot be again resumed or claimed of him without his own consent."

In a recent item of fishing news, the reporter recorded the catching of a number of very large black bass. An amateur fisherman sends us a note, asking why newspapers persist in calling the beautiful striped bass, "black?"

Miss RYE, who is engaged in bringing shiploads of poor young Englishwomen to Canada, finds that the demand for their services is far greater than she can supply. There is now no doubt that many thousands of them can find places in the New Dominion; and the advantages they derive from emigration are so great that we have no doubt many thousands of them will always be found ready to leave England. Miss RYE has shown great intelligence and judgment in her undertaking, and she deserves more encouragement than she has yet received from the authorities of Canada and England.

The "Army of the Potomac Society" was permanently organized yesterday, and General PHIL. SHERIDAN was chosen President. His rival for the position was General MCCLELLAN. Though General SHERIDAN never commanded the Army of the Potomac, his name is inseparably connected with some of its most brilliant victories; and the Society honors itself in electing him its first President.

The Central Park is not sufficiently a "people's park." It is too open to the hot sun, with too little shade, and too few seats—too few also in order—too much in the "equestrian order" in fact. It should have long alleys, arched over with trellises and summer-houses, every where—all provided with seats. It should be made comfortable, so that people may find pleasure in loitering through it, with their families, baskets, sandwiches, &c. It could be made a place of real hearty amusement, and will be so in time, no doubt, when the poor Arsenal is done away with and something like "Sydenham" put in place of it. Our park should belong mainly to the pedestrians, while the equestrians have the means and the liberty of howling away for miles into the open country, in every direction.

Our London correspondent, "Monadnock," suggests that the sewerage of New-York and Brooklyn should be pumped up into reservoirs, and so sent over to fertilize the grounds at the southern end of Long Island. The idea is a very good one, but we fear impracticable, since we are told by one of our contemporaries that Brooklyn will not go into partnership with New-York or take anything from her. Lands intersected by a narrow frith reject each other; so that whenever we have a rich and wealth-producing amount of manure to distribute, we shall have to send it out in the direction of Westchester—and Westchester will be very glad to get it.

The religious papers of the country are deploring the fact that the demand for ministers of the Gospel by far exceeds the supply, and the fear is expressed in some quarters that churches will utterly die out from the want of pastors. The reason of this is generally believed to be the growing depravity of our young men, and their consequent distaste for the clerical profession. This is not the true reason, however. The fact is that the clergy, as a class, are paid such poor salaries that very few young men are willing to enter upon the work, and they, accordingly, turn their attention to other pursuits. The Presbyterians of Pennsylvania took a census of the ministry a few days ago, in which it appears that out of 541 preachers only 40 receive $1,000 and upward; 172 from $600 to $1,000, 51 from $450 to $600, and 278 from $250 to $450 per year. Most of these figures are lower than the salaries of ordinary mechanics, and the congregations that pay them should feel ashamed of their meanness. Let the Churches offer their clergymen at least as much as the ignorant hod-carrier gets, and the occasion of complaint will cease at once. "The laborer is worthy of his hire."

AFFAIRS IN SPAIN.

The Vote on the Regency—Dissatisfied Condition of Spain—The Great Republican Convention and Manifesto of Cordova—Banquet of the Deputies—Complimentary to the American Press—Republican Convention at Valladolid.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MADRID, Wednesday, June 16, 1869.

The debates on the Regency question were brought to a close yesterday afternoon, and the bill was passed by a majority of 33 to 45 votes. In accordance with the rules applicable to important measures of this kind, there will be a second vote this afternoon, which is termed the votacion *definitiva*. The number of those who voted against the bill seems very small; but their paucity arises from the fact that many of the Republican Deputies are at the present moment absent from Madrid, attending the great Conventions of their party at Cordova and Valladolid, which they deem of more real importance than the sessions of the Congress, where, in spite of their earnest speeches and energetic protestations, a blind and unreflecting majority seem determined to carry any and all measures, good, bad and indifferent, which may emanate from the Ministerial bench or its mysterious "Junta Directiva." When I mention, among the absentee Deputies, such men as MM. ORENSE and GARRIDO, your readers will at once be able to account for the apparently small opposition which was arrayed against the passing of the Regency bill. On the other hand, the Monarchists mustered every man they could possibly control, as the numbers prove, viz., 126. Their maximum polling number since the Cortes opened has been 214, so that on this occasion they fell only twenty-one short. Of these Marshal SERRANO is one. "Motives of delicacy," it is said, prevented his attending any of the Regency debates. Had he done so he would have heard many unpleasant things said of his past political life, as well as many fulsome compliments from men who would not hesitate to drag him in the dust to-morrow, if they could. Another of the absent Deputies of the majority is accounted for in the person of General CABALLERO DE RODAS, who, having gone to Cuba, has resigned his seat in the Cortes, and two or three more of the faithful are missing in the persons of those who accompany the new Captain-General on his voyage, and who are going to find in the Pearl of the Antilles more profitable employment than that of listening to interminable speeches and taking part in the votes of the Cortes. Add to these the percentage of the Deputies who are usually absent from reasons of health or private convenience, and you will see that every possible effort had been exerted by the Parliamentary whippers-in to render the majority which voted the Regency of Marshal SERRANO as imposing as possible.

Thus the Cortes Constituyentes of 1869 have decreed another provisional interregnum in the elevation to the Regency of the victor of Alcolea. How long he will continue to hold the office is more than any one can predict. It depends, like the fortunes of Micawber, "on what may turn up."

On the 1st of July the Cortes expect to adjourn till the 1st of October, so as to afford its overworked members an opportunity of escaping to the cool sea breezes of San Sebastian or Bilbao during the two meses de Septiembre, or three months of hell, which the heat of Madrid realizes for its unlucky residents in July, August and September. They cherish the hope that the heat will in itself be sufficient to preserve the political *statu quo* during that season, and in the interim that the country will be able to come to some conclusion as to the choice of a monarch.

This desire on the part of the Deputies to escape temporarily from their labors is likely to lead to very disastrous consequences, especially as regards the financial position of the country. Here we are in the middle of June, and the Financial Budget has not been even submitted to discussion, nor can it be so until the new Ministry whom PRIM is expected to name this afternoon, are installed in their offices. Many other scarcely less important matters will also be left to take care of themselves for three or four months. Meantime things look black. The national finances are in a deplorable state. The Treasury is empty. The salaries of almost every official, except those whose residence in Madrid gives them the opportunity of looking after their own interests, are sadly in arrears. Every soldier and sailor is a "creditor" of the nation, not for rewards for bravery displayed in the exercise of his duties, but for the dearly-earned "hard cash" of his paltry pay. I have heard it said, though I cannot vouch for the fact, that at this very moment a Spanish vessel is lying at Cadiz with a cargo of tobacco and cigars on board consigned to the Government, which she brought there three months ago, and the freight of which there is not spare money enough in the Treasury to pay! The articles of which its cargo is composed being a strict Government monopoly, the unfortunate Captain is unable to sell any portion of it for his freight, or in any way to realize the sum he would have on it if it were sugar, or any other article of ordinary merchandise, consigned to a broker or mercantile house. It is said he is coming to Madrid to see what a personal interview may effect with Minister FIGUEROLA, or with his successor, in case FIGUEROLA is not in the new Ministry.

DISCONTENT.

Whether the country will be content to stand still while its governing classes are enjoying themselves during the hot months is doubtful. There is an unmistakable air of discontent observable every where. The Carlists are a perpetual source of anxiety, though the Government does not like to admit it. Conspiracies are being daily detected throughout the country, and the news from the other side of the French frontier is daily waited for with anxiety, and the movements in Paris, Bayonne and other circles of reactionary influence are narrowly watched. Large garrisons are stationed in all the principal strongholds and in every important town, and the troops are kept constantly on the alert. On the other hand, it would require but a very little thing to stir up and dispose the masses, who are daily inclining more and more to republicanism, to sweep away the whole of the newly-promulgated Constitution, Monarchy, Regency and all the other offspring of a falsified universal suffrage, for such it must be deemed when the best educated and most energetic portion of the population is excluded from the vote. Nothing but the extreme moderation and good tact of the leaders of the republican movement stays the hand of insurrection and violence. As many of the people as possible are armed, and they are daily urging others to follow their example. In this respect, indeed, they follow the counsels of the Republican Press. The *Igualdad* of Sunday last, in a powerful leader, gives three cardinal pieces of advice to the people: First, that they should enlighten themselves; secondly, that they should organize themselves; and thirdly, that they should arm themselves. On the latter point, it remarks that they "should count upon material means to sustain their rights, be they against attacks from without, or against usurpations of the public powers from within, for when the work of peaceful propagandism is concluded, and where reason proves insufficient to sustain justice, insurrection and armed force are the rights and the duties of dignified nations." It goes on to tell them that precisely from the want of arms and ammunitions the people have had at certain periods to succumb, and to yield an easy victory to iniquity and despotism. "Valor and heroism," it says, "have been demonstrated on many occasions by our Provinces. Who can counteract the aspirations and the tendencies of the people the day they find themselves perfectly armed? Hence we never can sufficiently insist upon this point. The times in which we live are grave and critical. The people ought to have arms, and if the penury of the municipal funds, or the negligent or tortuous intention of the governing powers impede the armament being made collectively and in the most convenient mode that can be desired, each individual should provide for his own defence and preparation for the future."

REPUBLICANISM.

Meantime the unceasing efforts of the Republican leaders to organize the various Provinces and to extend their doctrines by peaceful association and propagandism are worthy of all praise. To the effect of the great gathering of delegates from the Provinces of Aragon, Catalunia, Valencia and the Balearic Isles, recently celebrated at Tortosa, has to be added that of the still greater one at Cordova, which was composed of representatives from the Provinces of Murcia, Andalusia and Estremadura. Their conferences have been very animated, and tens of thousands have listened to the powerful addresses of GARRIDO and other eminent Republicans. In imitation of the celebrated Compact of Tortosa, they have issued the Compact of Cordova, which promises to attain even still greater importance. It has just been published in the Madrid papers, and is couched in the following terms:

THE COMPACT.

Bases of the Federal Compact of the Provinces of Andalusia, Estremadura and Murcia, signed in Cordova:

1. The Republican Party of the Confederated Provinces declare themselves limited in all that has relation to their conduct in political interests. Consequently the Republicans domiciled in any pueblo of the Confederation will obtain protection from the directors of the party in the centres of its general organization, and the Deputies of the Confederated Provinces will attend to the defence of the rights and republican interests of those who have no representative in the Cortes.

2. The Assembly declare it to be their conviction that the Federal Republic is the only system of Government adequate to the full development of democratic principles or which aspires to that result. To secure its establishment in Spain they will make use of all legitimate means in their power.

3. The Assembly, faithful to the democratic doctrines proclaimed by the revolution of September, and which constitute the basis of actual political rights, considers the individual rights of the citizen to be inalienable and imprescriptible, and consequently declare that no power has the family to limit their exercise, and that all attacks upon them are contrary to the principles invoked by the revolution and become legitimate and proper motives of insurrection if not followed by due reparation through legal means.

4. It considers the popular sovereignty inalienable, and therefore it should not establish immovable powers, nor permanently invest its exercise in any portion or family. Nevertheless, it considers it of paramount duty to decide the Assembly to recommend to the Republican Party that they should respect the Constitution, without accepting it, in so far as it opposes itself to the principles indicated in this and the foregoing articles.

5. The Assembly solemnly protest against the conduct observed by the Provisional Government toward the Andalusian Provinces during its rule, and recommend its destitution in due time. The Republican Party of the allied Provinces will complete its organization, establishing in all localities Directive committees named by universal suffrage direct, district committees composed of one delegate for each local committee, and provincial committees formed of one member of each district committee. Each provincial committee will name one representative to constitute the General Assembly of these Confederated Provinces, who will hold their sessions for the present in Cordova. The General Assembly will assume the direction of the Republican Party. It will have one permanent committee, composed of three individuals, members of the Assembly. The committee will communicate directly with the other Spanish Confederations; will have the right to decide common points of difficulty, and embroke the General Assembly for graver cases. The Assembly now for ever to the Confederated Provinces the constant propagation of their political doctrines, and call attention to the necessity of the citizen forces being reorganized and armed quickly, to guarantee individual rights.

The resolution to which we have come is the result not of a false patriotism, but of the invitation of our free sister Provinces, with whom we fellicitate at the same time on their grand idea in the initiation of the movement, and their intention of carrying it out with the valor and firmness of conscience which has always distinguished them. The Federal Compact of Tortosa will live in the history of great events, with the vitality which fame and glory reserve for deeds worthy of immortality. Like

...ore in our proved will and energy, we will march with equal security of spirit to victory or to martyrdom. Our standard is inscribed but with this word—"Liberty!" Our aspiration will be satisfied with traveling day by day with unwearied fervor and hope, until we secure for the benefit of all our brothers the triumph of Reason and the eternal reign of Justice. *Vive la République, Démocratique-fédérale!*

The proceedings of this Cordova Conference wound up by a grand banquet, at which many compliments were paid to the foreign Press, several of whose representatives were present, and who testified to the interest felt in their respective countries in all that concerns the progress of Republicanism in Spain. Special references were made to the Press of the United States, which has manifested its sympathies for Spanish liberties in a manner which entitled it to the warmest gratitude of the Convention.

A similar conference is now being held at Valladolid, the ancient capital of Castile, of delegates from the Republican Committees of that Province. It, too, has issued its compact, but as its labors have only reached us as yet by telegraph, I prefer to give it you in full in my next. These congresses will become historical documents and the "decree of the Republic."

AFFAIRS IN FRANCE.

History's Self-Repetition—Grievances of the Liberal Party—Causes, Growth and Features of the Recent Disturbances—Their Lesson and Results—The Emperor's Probable Policy.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Sunday, June 13, 1869.

History, it appears, is destined forever to repeat itself. The same causes always produce the same effects: when a Government grows obstinate in its own opinions there must come a crash. The Ministers of LOUIS NAPOLEON have grown obstinate; they refused to put into operation the liberal measures the Emperor announced and, it may be, really desired, and now they have been brought face to face with a protestation so energetic as not to be disregarded.

It was not because this or that man was or was not elected that we came so near a terrible sacrifice of human life. I have told you over and over again in this place in months gone by that the storm was brewing, that the people of Paris were growing more and more humiliated at the operations of the one-man power, and that they only needed a pretext for protesting in an energetic way. This pretext was offered by the election.

The great Liberal Party of France was tired of a Ministry which disposed of their blood without asking their consent; the citizens of Paris were fatigued with a Prefect who took their money without leave, and burdened them with taxes they were unable to bear. The whole of France sighed for a diminution of the immense standing army, and sighed in vain; the citizens of the great cities longed for a Government which had itself in some way responsibility for its acts, and yet saw no prospect of realizing their desire.

There was thus a general hatred and a disposition to do something, none but a few had decided what—when the electoral period arrived, six weeks ago. The Government then with a great flourish of liberality—you will see what sort of liberality it was—declared that the law permitting electoral meetings should be carried out. And now the people saw with horror into what depths of despotism and tyranny they had been stooped these twenty years, and thus the little string the Government gave them did more harm than good. In this case ignorance was bliss, and the contrast brought indignation instead of joy. They saw all at once, in a forcible manner, how far away they had lived all this time from the liberty enjoyed by surrounding nations, and they were indignant in proportion.

But if the power of meeting again in public brought back disagreeable souvenirs, and suggested humiliating contrasts, the manner of meeting awakened in turn new elements of irritation. The first astonishment at meeting each other in public passed, the attention of people was turned to combatting the restrictions thrown around the meetings. The aspiration of intelligent men for liberty is so natural and so legitimate that when they get a little they forget the ground they have gone over, and ask for more, and still for more.

Among the restrictions thrown around the meetings was, first, the prohibition to meet anywhere but in a house, which implied expense and trouble, and certainly limited the number of meetings very considerably. In the next place, no meeting could be held without sending in a supplication signed by a certain number of names, and these supplications were not unfrequently denied. Then again—and this fact did the Government more harm than anything else—a Commissary of Police was placed alongside the speakers in every meeting to control the words spoken, and to dissolve the meeting if the language uttered did not please him.

Was ever anything more monstrous or in worse taste, or better calculated to provoke a revolution? Imagine a candidate trying to be brilliant and to captivate his audience with a policeman holding him by the collar! How often, in fact, did we see candidates stumble and stagger, and feel round all through the dictionary before finding the word that would not wound the susceptibilities of the great Government of France and its army of twelve hundred thousand men, represented by the little man sitting at the orator's side! How often did we see these meetings dissolved for a triviality of the calibre of this one: One night M. BANCEL, while lecturing on CORNEILLE—he even had to have a pretext to get before the public—spoke of one of the characters in the play of "Horace," who used the expressive "Never believe my nephew!" whereupon the audience laughed and cheered, and M. BANCEL, provoked thereby to a witticism, solemnly repeated, "Yes, never believe the Nephew!" A regular uproar followed the launching of these words, and then the little man representing the strong Government of France, with its army of twelve hundred thousand men, solemnly warned M. BANCEL a second time—he had already been warned once for another allusion of the same kind—and at the third allusion dissolved the meeting. And what then took place? Every man of the three thousand that composed the meeting went into the street with clenched fists, swearing eternal and irreconcilable hostility to the Government! It so happened also, that the first overt act in the long list of protestations which occurred during the electoral period, took place that night after the meeting was dissolved.

Now I repeat that the little liberty allowed by the Government only served to show the people how much more they had to gain, it only served to bring into relief the enormity of the despotism that still reigned over them. The little man on the platform representing brute force served to achieve the picture, for the whole argument was summed up in his person.

A former editor of the *Courrier des Etats Unis*, (the French paper at New-York,) M. MASSIAS, has just published at Paris a pamphlet comparing the electoral systems of France and the United States, in which he gives all the advantages to the French system! Now in America there is no system: the time is free, the place is free, and above all speech is free. In France on the contrary, we see the following restrictions: 1. Electoral meetings can only take place for three weeks, and must cease five days before the day of election, at a time when the candidates and their friends have just got well warmed up. 2. No meeting can be held without giving previous notice to the Police. 3. It must hold in a house. 4. A Commissary of Police, backed by a body of armed men kept in waiting on the outside for emergencies, must take his seat on the platform with a French flag around his waist, to take down and punish seditious words, or to dissolve the meeting if he sees fit. In America, therefore, there is complete liberty in preparing for the election—the only liberty worthy of civilized men; while in France we see every where the one-man power, the form of power invented in the dark ages for men unfit for civilization. The one is liberty and the other is despotism, and with men in power like those of to-day, centuries will not fill up the abyss that separates the two. For the crime of LOUIS NAPOLEON is not that of having killed the Republic: it is the deeper and more damning crime of keeping the great mass of the people in a state of ignorance which renders them unfit for liberty and unconscious of its advantages.

In the few occasions on which they were allowed to speak before and during the electoral period, the liberal orators found themselves most popular when they demanded freedom of speech, of the Press, and of public meetings, an extension of common school education and its emancipation from the control of the priesthood, and finally a diminution of the army. In all the meetings these were the points the longest and loudest applauded, and nobody is ignorant at this moment, not even the Government, of the sentiments manifested on these great questions. The men who uttered them were: Jules Favre, Cochin, Pelletan, Simon, Ferry, Bamiel, Gambetta, Cazavet, Renan, Raspail, Oliviere—centenaires, orators, thinking men, all of them Liberals, some of them Monarchists, but all men "in the movement," that is to say, men of progress. When M. RENAN, deprecating the influence of a large standing army and pleading the cause of primary education, exclaimed: "*La caserne n'a jamais fondé personnage!*" ("The barrack never educated any one!") he put the whole argument into a few words, and was applauded with frenzy. When the eloquent Protestant Minister COQUEREL, in an address before an immense audience in the circus, portrayed the horrors of war and re-claimed the abolishment of standing armies, he was cheered by warlike France to the skies. When the eloquent philanthropist OSCHIN drew a picture of the workings of liberal institutions as seen in the person of ABRAHAM LINCOLN, who started in the world with a library of three books—the Bible, which represented family and religion; the *Life of Washington*, which represented country and patriotism; and *Blackstone's Commentaries*, which represented justice—his audience shouted as one man, "*Vive la liberté!*"

The Government was therefore not ignorant of the tendencies of that part of the nation which reads and thinks for itself, nor of that sort of uprising which the last few months' political agitation had provoked. Nevertheless, it made no sign of comprehension, no movement as if willing to meet the natural aspirations of the country half-way—nothing but a sullen silence, which people translated by the fatal words *son peuxt!* While the French people were marching onward—while other nations, even Spain and Austria, were marching onward—the French Government stood still and refused anything like a serious concession.

THE RECENT DISTURBANCES.

Thus by the time the day of election arrived the irritation had reached the point where passion begins to take the place of reason, and where violent measures are alone thought of as a remedy for the situation. It was still time to have saved the public from an outbreak if the Government had promised liberty under the Empire, for that would have allayed for a time the order of the Radicals, but they did not, and the rioting commenced.

Was the rioting spontaneous or preconcerted? The Government asserts that it was preconcerted, that the orders proceeded from the revolutionary band at Brussels, headed by M. ROCHEFORT and the HUGO sons, and that the principal centres of action at Paris were the offices of the revolutionary journals, the *Rappel* and the *Reveil*. Others believe that it was spontaneous, while still others think that it was an attempt on the part of the Republican leaders to feel the ground by degrees, and thus determine how much help they would have for a serious attempt.

The truth probably lies between these three suppositions. It will be found, no doubt, when the investigation is finished, that the beginning of the *emeute* was spontaneous, that the middle of it was serious, and that the end of it was only a demonstration of thieves and non-political vagabonds.

It was more than a month ago that the first revolutionary gang got together and went howling the "Marseillaise" through the streets, breaking things along their route, and putting the policemen to flight by force of numbers. The band got together at one of the meetings in favor of ROCHEFORT, but only, in all probability, as the result of the incendiary words pronounced by the speakers. No one believes it to have been preconcerted. At first only 300 strong, the band numbered 12,000 by the time it arrived at the Bastile—the Mecca of all revolutionary bands. I saw this band in the Latin quarter when not over 1,000 strong—I wrote you of it at the time, and predicted that it was only the commencement of something more serious—and never before or since have I seen such a frightful gang. Yes, once, at the execution of ORSINI and PIEREI, there was something like it; but they did not howl, nor flourish sticks, nor cry sinister words, nor demean themselves like people from the lower regions. One wonders where such people come from. An ordinary workman would look like a gentleman in such a crowd, and a student would not think of mixing in it. One can understand that when such a band passes, the merchant closes his shop, the women rush to the garret, and the people in the streets look to their pockets.

The next night the Latin quarter was too well guarded for a renewal of the demonstration, and the surplus of the crowd collected at one of RAPPAIL's meetings at the circus on the Boulevard des Filles du Calvaire. More than 20,000 people resisted the Police in the street for some time, and were only dispersed at 11 o'clock after several charges of cavalry.

Now it was natural that the people who were most irritated against the Government should have been struck with this tendency of the mob, and should have conceived projects of a revolution. It is probable that such projects were conceived, and that they still exist and will exist till the Government yields, or is changed. But the men who conceived the project were only leaders of the second or third class; they were neither moneyed men nor men of authority in the revolutionary party.

After these first demonstrations, which were entirely spontaneous, no very large gatherings took place, although the irritation was not at all allayed, till Monday night of last week, at the end of the second election. Then a great crowd collected on the Boulevard Montmartre, because it is the usual rendezvous of journalists and artists, and the place to which people flock to obtain the earliest news. Here the Police made a demonstration that was useless, and which provoked the hostility of the crowd. And what was the result? The same persons came again Tuesday night to see if the Police would repeat their rigors of the previous night; and with this crowd, which was still a respectable one in appearance, came a certain admixture of the swell mob, which had heard of the affair, and wanted to have a share in it.

This night, Tuesday, the movements of the mob assumed a graver appearance, the next night still more so, and on Thursday night the riot reached its climax. By that time it seemed possible, no doubt, to some of the leaders in the gang to do something, and the word seemed to have been passed around that barricades were to be built that night, for the crowd was enormous and its hostility was evident. The situation for a few hours was certainly grave in the extreme.

Imagine half a million of men gathered along the large thoroughfares, of whom more than half were hostile to the Government, and who, under a little more provocation—as, for example, if they had been fired upon—would have jumped into the *meleé* with alacrity. Then imagine in the middle of the streets groups here and there of the swell mob singing the "Marseillaise," breaking lanterns and window glasses, and being pursued, first in one direction and then in another, by squads of policemen and mounted guards, with the half million others looking on, and *hesitating what to do*. Never before was such moderation on both sides shown in the streets of Paris. The forbearance of the soldiery was admirable, the moderation of the lookers-on—it was in them that the real danger lay—was beyond all praise. May we not say that this moderation on both sides is due to the march of civilization, to a softening of national temperament, and to a kindlier spirit of brotherhood?

Next Evening, Friday, when it was seen what illogical and foolish vandalism had been committed by the rowdy element of the mob, when it was seen that the thieves and vagabonds of the city had entered into the movement, and when it was found that the soldiery had not, under all this provocation, fired a single gun nor killed a single man, a reaction took place, and from that moment the movement was dead. The merchants, especially along the streets, were tired and frightened, and had only demanded peace, but refused to help to maintain it. They now cheered the soldiery as it passed, and they even cheered the Emperor, as he went to take a survey of the ground.

The onus of commencing the affair, therefore, falls back on the Police, in their conduct on Monday night, after the closing of the polls. The people who had gathered together to obtain election news were no doubt boisterous, but if they had been let alone and allowed to exhale in peace their good or bad humor, they would not have conceived a spirit of resistance, and would not have come back a second and a third night, "just to see what the Police would do."

Nevertheless after this first night no one can say that the conduct of the Government was not the very best that could have been adopted to prevent an effusion of blood. The policemen, who are obnoxious to the people generally, were replaced as much as possible by soldiers, whom the people like, because they are conscripted and cannot help being in the army, and because they are the defenders of the country. Moreover, to remove still further the possibility of a collision, cavalry instead of infantry was chosen, for fear the infantry might be provoked into the use of its murderous Chassepot gun.

But the Government has not made friends by its wholesale arrest of liberal editors. It looks like going back to the days of the *coup d'état*, and will serve to maintain the irritation already active in the public mind.

What will the Emperor do? is the standing question of the moment. I still think he will listen to the voice of the intelligent part of his subjects, and take a step in advance.

The few Americans arrested by mistake in the riots of Thursday night have, by the energetic intervention of Mr. WASHBURNE, been released.

MALAKOFF.

TELEGRAMS.

CUBA.

Spanish Attack on General Jordan's Troops—A Severe Battle—Repulse of the Spaniards.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Monday, July 5.

Cubans here have the following advices: The Spanish troops, between the 2d and 26th of June, attacked the forces of General JORDAN near Holguin, and after a fight, which, it is reported, lasted over eight hours, they were repulsed and compelled to take refuge in the town. The loss of the Cubans was nearly 200 in killed and wounded. Among those killed were twenty Americans. The Spanish loss was about the same. The Spanish troops consisted of two brigades and outnumbered the Cubans two to one. General JORDAN commanded the revolutionary army.

DOMINION OF CANADA.

Large Fire in Montreal—La Crosse Tournament at Prescott.

MONTREAL, Monday, July 5.

A fire, which at one time caused serious alarm, broke out in BANCROFT's livery stables at midnight Saturday. A large amount of hay was burned and the buildings damaged. Horses numbering about fifty were got out in safety.

Three of the barges which ran on the reef at Cape Charles Friday night have since sunk.

PRESCOTT, Monday, July 5.

The concluding match of the Prescott La Crosse tournament for the championship was contested for by the Saint Regis Indians and the Prescott Club. After a close and exciting match the latter vanquished their dusky opponents in three straight games.

THE SAENGERBUND.

The Coming Festival in Baltimore—The Societies to be Present—The Order of Exercises.

BALTIMORE, Md., Monday, July 5.

The Northeastern Saengerbund of America will celebrate their grand biennial musical festival in this city on the 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th of July. The Northeastern Saengerbund comprises societies from the Eastern, Middle and Southern States, numbering about 160 societies, 120 in New-York and vicinity, thirty in Philadelphia and vicinity, and ten in Baltimore and vicinity, embracing about 6,000 active and about 20,000 passive members. A large majority of these societies will be present. The Executive Committee have been laboring for the past fifteen months to make this festival superior to all preceding ones. Mr. LEISCHOW, the festival leader, about four months ago visited New-York and Philadelphia, and there had rehearsals with the united singers of those cities. In addition to the societies mentioned, a number of eminent composers from Europe, and representatives of European societies, will be present. The visiting societies will enjoy the hospitality of the city, and be compelled to comply with the rule requiring them to attend the rehearsals; their proficiency in the choruses must be attested to by the leaders of the different societies.

Invitations were given for prize compositions to the composers of the Old and New Worlds, to be performed at this festival. Sixty-eight composers responded. The first prize of $100 in gold was awarded to Professor FRANKE, of Cresseu, Prussia; the second prize, $50 in gold, to Professor METZGER, of Vienna, Austria. The first prize composition will be sung by the Baltimoreans, with a full orchestral accompaniment, on Tuesday, July 13.

For the prize singing at the festival four valuable prizes, consisting of two grand pianos from KRAMS's manufactory, valued at $1,500 each, and two square pianos from GAEHLE, will be awarded.

These festivals are celebrated only in New-York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, and have taken place as follows: First, in Philadelphia, 1850; second, in Baltimore, 1851; third, in New-York, 1852; fourth, in Philadelphia, 1853; fifth, Baltimore, 1854; sixth, New-York, 1856; seventh, Philadelphia, 1857; eighth, Baltimore, 1859, and in 1861 were suspended on account of the war; the ninth in New-York, 1865; tenth, in Philadelphia, 1867, and the present is the eleventh.

At the last festival in Philadelphia the Saengerbund adopted a resolution having for its object a more strict observance and attention to the highest cultivation of vocal music. Specific and minute rules were laid down for this purpose. Among the rules is one that no society in cities where more than one society exists should be admitted into the Saengerbund, unless it had at least twenty members.

The business of the Saengerbund is transacted by a board of seven, five of whom reside in the city where the festival takes place, and one each in the other cities.

The programme for the festival embraces, on the first day, a grand public reception of guests, with an imposing procession; on the second day the performance of HANDEL's oratorio, "Messiah," by a chorus consisting of about 400 male and female voices, organized and selected from among the best talent of the city, assisted by an adequate orchestra—the solo parts to be sung by artists of acknowledged reputation, under the leadership of Professor LEISCHOW; on the third day prize singing, by the different societies from abroad; on the fourth day a grand concert, in which all the societies will unite; on the two following days a repetition of choruses and picnics on the ground.

A number of distinguished musicians from Europe have already arrived, among whom is the eminent composer, Capellmeister TSCHIRCH, from Gera, a special delegate to represent the German Bund of 80,000 members. He is the special guest of the Saengerbund of Philadelphia. Mme. HUPTER, Mme. FRIEDERICH HEMMER, JOSEPH HERMANS and other distinguished opera singers will be present.

Arrest of Dangerous Counterfeiters in Augusta, Ga.—An Official Implicated.

ATLANTA, Ga., Monday, July 5.

Several days since Captain MURPHY, special detective, arrested two women who had in their possession a portion of a large sum of currency stolen from the Treasury Department at Washington. Forged signatures were signed to the Treasury notes, and a large amount was passed in Augusta. These women implicated H. M. TURNER, the recently appointed negro Postmaster at Macon. TURNER was arrested yesterday by the United States Marshal, and brought to Atlanta. An investigation is now going on, but efforts are being made to keep it secret. Further developments are looked for tomorrow.

VIRGINIA.

Preparations for Election To-Day—Camp Meeting in the Park at Richmond.

RICHMOND, Va., Monday, July 5.

Governor WELLS addressed a large meeting of colored people in the Park this afternoon. The preparations by the military and Police for the election to-morrow are quite complete, and it is thought that notwithstanding the excited state of feeling, the election will pass off quietly. The negroes have been holding a political camp meeting in the Park all day, but to-night all is quiet. One hundred special policemen have been appointed for the election, of whom fifty are blacks.

A Radical Estimate of the Probable Result.

From the Richmond State Journal, July 5.

As nearly as can now be ascertained and estimated, the majority of white registered voters over colored registered voters is 26,000; that is to say, there are 146,000 white registered voters and 120,000 colored registered voters. We may deduct six per cent. from each list for deaths, removals for casualties, which would give us registered voters in 1869:

Whites	140,000
Blacks	115,000

Those who will actually vote next Tuesday, of this number, at the rate of ninety-five per cent. of blacks, and eighty-five per cent. of whites, will be as follows, using round numbers:

Whites	120,000
Blacks	110,000

Now, in 1867, just twenty per cent. of the white votes were cast for the Radicals, and seventeen of one per cent. of the colored votes was cast for the Conservatives. Applying these percentages to the last stated numbers, and we have

FOR WELLS.

Twenty per cent. of white votes	24,000
Colored vote less one-seventh per cent	100,000
Total for Wells	124,000

FOR WALKER.

White vote less twenty per cent	96,000
One-seventh of one per cent. of colored vote	770
Total for Walker	96,770
Majority for Wells	27,230

There could be no safer guide or more rational standard of computation than the election which was actually held in this State in 1867. We have adopted the statistics of that election as the basis of the estimate we have made above; and have deducted a result in which we have great confidence.

Large Fire at Whitehall—Mills Totally Destroyed.

WHITEHALL, N. Y., Monday, July 5.

A large fire broke out here this morning in W. W. COOKE & SON's lumber yard. Their mill and a large quantity of lumber were totally destroyed. Loss from $80,000 to $75,000.

THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.

Prospects of the Harvest—A Large Yield of Wheat and Oats—Average Crop of Corn.

From the Chicago Tribune, July 3.

So far all has promised well for the crops, particularly the small grains, and advices from all parts of the country bear uniform testimony to the following statements of facts and conditions:

The crop of wheat is quoted large in Pennsylvania; very heavy in West Virginia, but with a slight tendency to rust; first-class Kansas and Nebraska; promises a very abundant yield in Iowa, with absolute freedom from the blasts of the past; equal to the yield of any former year in Wisconsin; in Missouri, three times larger (18,000,000 bushels) than the crop of any previous year, in spite of danger of rust in Illinois, but otherwise promising well; very large and fine in Indiana, Ohio and Michigan; and remarkably fine and plentiful in the Southern States, where the crop is nearly all harvested and safe from future injury by the storm. Texas, Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky have all united to produce a magnificent wheat yield, while California has put in a largely increased breadth. The crop will be at least 6 per cent. larger than that of 1868, unless the harvest operations of the more Northern States be interfered with by bad weather.

The same is true, in a less degree, of oats. They are promising well, though rank in places from the continued rains, but the crop is nowhere reported a failure. It must, however, be remembered that we have a light stock to consume up to the time of harvest, and shall have but a very small surplus to lap over into the consumption of the crops of 1869. Hence prices will probably rule comparatively firm, though we can scarcely expect them to touch the higher quotations of 1868.

The greatest deficiency will be in corn. The breadth sown is somewhat less than that of last year in the Southern States, and in the West the growth has been seriously interfered with by rain, which has rendered replanting necessary over large areas of the country. But it is not too late yet for a fair crop, provided the weather continues bad. The deficiency is scarcely exceed one-eighth on the entire crop, and that will be largely compensated by the increased yield in wheat, and to some extent by the fine crops of rye and barley, both of which grains promise really well.

We are aware that a great deal of complaint and some expense had been caused by the rains, but it must be remembered that even though the farmer is seriously hindered by the wet and the weeds, there is a compensation in the entire absence of the chinch-bug, the grasshopper, the army worm, &c., which in so many foreign years have laid waste hundreds of fertile fields and left the farmer to mourn over an absolute nothingness—not enough of a crop to replace the seed.

Other crops also promise well. Large breadths have been sown with cotton and tobacco, and both will yield very large returns on the planter's toil. Apples and peaches, with the smaller fruits, promise to be as abundant as the strawberries have already proven to be, while potatoes and the grasses promise larger crops than any known for several years.

Altogether, the crops of 1869 are more abundant than those of any year during the past decade, unless the present condition of things is spoiled by continued rain, which is scarcely possible. Most people expect a dry time during the latter part of the present Summer and the coming Autumn, and the expectation is fully justified by the law of sequences.

The production of corn and wheat in the United States in 1868 was about 280,000,000 bushels, or 26 bushels per head. Only two per cent. of this, or 18,000,000 bushels was exported to foreign countries, but the West sent 84,000,000 bushels East during the year, of which 66,500,000 bushels was consumed by the East.

Organization of a Confederate Relief and Historical Association.

From the Memphis (Tenn.) Avalanche, July 2.

A large and interesting meeting of the Confederate soldiers was held last evening in the Exchange building. General PATTON ANDERSON called the meeting to order. A committee was appointed to enroll the names of all desiring to become members. Captain B. NAWTON HART then read a constitution proposed by the committee appointed at the last meeting for that purpose. The first article of the constitution was read and adopted, stating the designs of the organization, as follows:

"That the objects of this Association are the relief of the destitute soldiers, their widows and orphans, the collection of records pertaining to the late war, and such other matters as may arise from time to time. The name of this organization shall be the Confederate Relief and Historical Association."

General PILLOW here announced that Lieutenant-General R. S. EWELL, of Virginia, was present, and thereupon he escorted the veteran forward, who enrolled his name as a member. (Enthusiastic applause.)

An important article of the Constitution is that any Confederate soldier whose record is blameless may become a member of the Association.

The election of permanent officers was proceeded with. Governor HARRIS was nominated for President of the Association. That gentleman thought he was ineligible on account of his not being a member of the Confederate army.

General PILLOW thought that he was a member, since he commanded the Army of Tennessee; and although he was not commissioned by the Confederate President, yet he was fully identified with the Southern army, was present on every possible battle-field, and wept at its defeats.

General ANDERSON was also nominated, but declined to run. Governor HARRIS was then almost unanimously elected. General PATTON ANDERSON was then nominated for Vice-President, and elected by a vote of 81 to 4. Major DAWSON was then elected Secretary, and Mr. FELIX ROBINSON Treasurer. General PILLOW offered a resolution that subscriptions from all parties be received for the causes set forth above.

The $100,000 Breach of Promise Case—Miss Amanda Not Engaged.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, June 26.

To the Editor of the Chicago Times:

In regard to certain rumors which have gained circulation, and which have appeared in the Chicago papers, to the effect that my preference for Mr. CRAGGS was assumed, and I am now engaged to be married to some other person, I desire to say, through the columns of your paper, that all such rumors and statements are entirely false, and only intended to do me further injustice.

AMANDA J. CRAIGS.

THE EARTHQUAKE.

Effects of the Shock in Missouri and Virginia.

From the St. Louis Republican, July 2.

At 2:9 o'clock yesterday morning many persons in this city were conscious of a positive shock of an earthquake in this neighborhood. Sound sleepers and persons of incredulous dispositions are wont, on occasions of this kind, to dispute the testimony of those who assert the occurrence of slight earthquakes, but when these read the record of the phenomenon at various other points, South and West, their doubts will vanish, for we learn that it was felt in different parts of Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas, as well as at other places, besides St. Louis, in Missouri. It was not so violent as to awaken a sleeping person, but, being awake, one could not be in doubt as to its being an earthquake. A person who seems to have marked the time at which the shock occurred sends us a note, stating: "At 2:08 o'clock this morning there was an earthquake, the earth moving north and south. The main shock lasting about five seconds, causing considerable alarm. The shock was preceded by a rumbling noise." Another authority states that the oscillation was from east to west, and gives the testimony of some lady friends, one of whom said that, during the shock, she felt "as if she were on the ribbed side of a washboard, while the ribs were shaken by somebody." Another lady, our informant states, described it "as if a tremolo were played on an instrument;" and he himself "felt it as a trembling of the floor from east to west upon about six or seven trembling waves." The city at the time was close almost to suffocation, and those who did not feel the immediate effects of the earth-shaking felt oppressed and uncomfortable.

Councilman DRISCOLL stated that he was sitting in a chair when the shock came, and was suddenly shaken from one side of the chair to another. This testimony ought to be convincing if not conclusive. Various parties give testimony of the rattling of china in cupboards, the jingling of glass pendants and swinging of loose chandeliers in the absence of any agitation of the air, &c.

At Kirkwood the shock was distinctly felt. A gentleman who was lying in bed at the time stated that an oscillating motion was experienced as if the building was shaken by a strong wind. He was not aware that the disturbance was caused by an earthquake until, on comparing his observations with that of his neighbors next morning, he attributed it to the earthquake. At Jefferson Barracks and Carondelet the shocks were distinctly felt. At the former place it was noticed by several persons. A lady at Carondelet thought the house was coming down over her head. The telegraph operator at the general office of the Iron Mountain Railroad, at Belmont, Bridgeton, Jerseytown, the tunnel in Bellinger County and De Soto, and the replies were that the earthquake was not observed at either of these places.

From the St. Louis Democrat, July 5.

Observations of the phenomenon come to us from points many miles apart, showing that the range of the shock was quite extensive. It was sensibly felt at Alton, and from points south of that at least fifty miles distant. From conversation with various gentlemen we think the greatest force of the vibration was in St. Louis and the district immediately adjacent on the southwest. Its time is quite definitely fixed by different parties. General N. RAY places it at 12:9 o'clock A. M., and the moment lasted five seconds, the vibrations being north and south. An intelligent gentleman who resides on the plateau just east of Cote Brilliant was awakened, with his family, by a rough shaking of the house, and his first idea was that a hurricane was raging without. His watch denoted 2:10, with a duration of six seconds. The first shock was the heaviest, immediately followed by another, more gentle one. In many localities articles of furniture were moved and small ornaments thrown down, but as far as we know little damage resulted.

The Shock in Alabama.

From the Huntsville Democrat, July 2.

At about 2:30 this morning, we and several members of our household were aroused by the shock of an earthquake—and, after a slight interval, furniture in our room was shaken, so as to rattle, for a quarter of a minute. Several other citizens have made similar reports to us, but many have assured us they know nothing of any such convulsion of nature during the night. Two have told us of dogs in their houses barking very excitedly and unaccountably, a little after 2 o'clock. A gentleman, residing a few miles from Huntsville, says he felt two distinct earthquake shocks, about 9 o'clock last night. There was a brief thunder-storm last evening, and we are told, several thunder peals were heard between 12 and 2 o'clock. The thermometer indicated about 90° yesterday, and is higher to-day.

The Shock in Tennessee.

From the Nashville Union, July 3.

About 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning the shock of an earthquake was sensibly felt in Edgefield, and continued for several minutes. We heard of many persons being aroused and jumping out of bed somewhat alarmed at the shaking of their houses, thinking it to be a storm, but, on looking out, finding to their surprise a clear sky and the moon shining brightly. In describing the shock one gentleman informed us that it reminded him of the noise produced at a late hour of night when everything is quiet, by the rattling of the massive store doors on the public square, which sound is familiar to those who live in the vicinity. This gentleman thought that somebody was knocking at his door, and getting up, walked out on the porch, and, to his surprise could see nobody. He then turned retired, not supposing for a moment that an earthquake had interfered with his slumbers. Strange to say, this shock was not felt on this side of the river. In this case Edgefield has outstripped her rival for fame, but that sort of reputation won't do to brag of.

A Whole Family Poisoned—A Servant Girl Confesses to the Deed.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer, July 5.

A girl, aged 16 years, named ANN J. HOFFMAN, was before Recorder GIVEN, on Saturday, charged with poisoning the family of Mrs. MARGARET J. HOFF, No. 404 North Eleventh-street. It appears that the girl, who is bound to the above lady, was guilty of some misdemeanor about one month ago, for which Mrs. HOFF told her she should not go out for a month. On Tuesday, June 29, the entire family of Mrs. HOFF, consisting of herself, her son, JOHN M. HOFF, her daughter, ALICE HOFF, her son-in-law, NATHAN M. PANCOAST, his wife, MARY E., and their daughters, ELIZABETH and MAGGIE PANCOAST, were suddenly taken sick at the supper table, and shortly after all took to vomiting. A physician was sent for, who pronounced the symptoms those of poisoning. It was at first thought that it came from eating fish, but it was ascertained that but few of the family had partaken of that article, and then the flour was blamed.

The girl ANN was sent to the neighbors who used the same flour, and she returned, saying they were all sick. In a few days the family all recovered, and the flour was made his appearance. He was told of the circumstance, and said that it couldn't be the flour, as he had just come from the neighbors, who had bought some more of the same kind, and who had not said anything about being sick. Suspicion then rested on ANN, the servant, who was sent for by Mrs. HOFF, and questioned with reference to her complicity in the transaction. She at first denied all knowledge of the matter, but finally admitted that she had poisoned them, and stated that on the morning previous to the sickness of the inmates of the house she had gone to the clock and take from it a package of arsenic, some of which she sprinkled on the bread spread, which was subsequently baked by Mrs. HOFF, and that she had done it on account of the punishment. Notwithstanding that she said she regretted the act as soon as it was done, she never said anything about it, but on the Sunday, on Wednesday evening she again placed the arsenic on the table and helped Mrs. PANCOAST to another piece knowing the effect of which she was again taken sick. It is thought that ANN believed that in the event of the death of Mrs. HOFF she would be released from her indenture, and as she is extraordinarily ignorant she did not realize the fact that if Mrs. HOFF or any of the family had died, she would be placed on trial for her life. The Recorder committed her in default of $6,000 bail to answer.

A Prisoner Shot and Dangerously Wounded in Court.

From the Cincinnati Commercial, June 29.

THOMAS DOWNEY, who was taken to Newport, Ky., from this City on Saturday last from Cincinnati, upon a requisition from Governor STEVENSON, charged with committing a rape upon a young woman named ANNIE MCSHANE, was arraigned before Mayor BUCHANAN yesterday afternoon for examination. Mr. R. W. HELSON, County Attorney, appeared on behalf of the Commonwealth, and the prisoner was represented by O. W. BOOT, Esq. DOWNEY took a seat at the side of his attorney, and the first witness for the prosecution had just been called, when HUGH MCSHANE, a brother of the young woman, who had accompanied her to the Court-room, drew a pistol from his pocket, and before any one could interfere, placed it within a few feet of DOWNEY's head and fired. The ball passed entirely through the prisoner's throat, anterior to the windpipe, and lodged in the wall of the Court-room. The wound produced is a very severe one, though not necessarily fatal. DOWNEY, after receiving surgical attention from Dr. THORNTON, was conveyed to his home. McSHANE made no attempt to escape, but quietly submitted to arrest, and was lodged in jail. His sister, who it is claimed was seduced by DOWNEY several months ago, is insane. The Court-room was crowded with spectators when the shooting took place, and of course great consternation was caused for a few minutes by the affair.

THE HEROINE OF LIME ROCK.

The Presentation to Miss Idia Lewis at Newport, on Saturday.

The celebration of Independence Day took place at Newport, R. I., on Saturday. The most interesting feature of the ceremonies was the presentation of a beautiful and costly boat to Miss IDA LEWIS, the heroine of Lime Rock Light. Her story will bear more than this brief outline—that she is the daughter of HOSEA LEWIS, of the Lime Rock Light, a man now disabled by years or illness; of a mother who has displayed some of the highest traits which distinguish the girl; that accompanied from the first to the boat and its daily uses, she acquired proficiency with the oar in carrying her younger brother or sisters to their school, and at the age of seventeen performed her first life-saving act in rescuing four young fellows from a watery grave, alone, with her father's life-boat. At another time three drunken soldiers were indebted to her for a no less daring rescue, and again, some farmers, pursuing a swimming sheep, were accidentally imperiled, and but for her promptness and courage must have perished. The presentation was made on what is called the Parade, a little park nearly in front of the State-house. Miss LEWIS, accompanied by her mother and sister, Colonel T. W. HIGGINSON, Hon. FRANCIS BRINLEY and a few friends, arrived on the ground at about 9 o'clock. The boat, which had been mounted on a carriage suitably fitted for the purpose, was driven around the Parade, finally halting at the lower end, when Hon. FRANCIS BRINLEY, of Newport, made the presentation speech, concluding as follows:

"It is proper that I should state in this presence, that with the instinctive delicacy which is inseparable from true courage, you shrank from the ostentation of a public demonstration, and reluctantly yielded your scruples to gratify those whom you felt it your duty to oblige. This boat has none of the glitter and pretence of the silver-oared barge of CLEOPATRA, which floated on the Cydnus like a burnished throne; but it comes to you rich in artistic skill, and freighted with the kindest wishes of the inhabitants of Newport. On behalf of the donors, and as their honored representative, I commit it to your care, knowing how well and wisely it will be used and managed by the Heroine of Lime Rock, whose name and exploits will be preserved by tradition so long as any portion of the shores of Rhode Island shall be washed by the waters of Narragansett."

The response of Miss LEWIS to this address was made by Colonel HIGGINSON in the following words:

"I am requested by Miss LEWIS to return thanks in her name to the donors and to the citizens of Newport. Miss LEWIS desires me to say that she has never made a speech in her life, and does not expect to begin now. She has worked out the problem of woman's rights in a different manner. She has been accustomed to assume the right of helping her fellow men without asking any questions. She receives this boat with pleasure, not alone as an earnest of the good feeling of her fellow-citizens, but, also, as a means of doing a little more hereafter, if occasion should come, in the same direction.

She has fortunately learned to do what the proverb recommends as the height of wisdom,—to paddle her own canoe. She will endeavor to paddle this one, and if any one shall be so unfortunate as to get into difficulties in the neighborhood of Lime Rock, so long as you see this boat riding at anchor there, it will say to you, as boys sometimes say to a playmate who has fallen, 'Come here and I will pick you up.' Much has been said about her services in this direction. When she performed this duty she had no thought of its being recognized. In fact, I believe if she had known what men would say about it, probably the act would never have been done at all.

I may add that this disposition for rescuing life did not begin in this generation of the family; for, because when I asked Mrs. LEWIS how she felt when she saw her daughter battling with the waves, her answer was, 'I had an idea, after it was all over, that she had been in a dangerous situation; but at the moment I did not think much about her, but only whether she would save the man.' Miss LEWIS is grateful to you for your acknowledgment of what seemed to her a simple act of duty; and she is more grateful to the Divine Providence which enabled her to do what she hopes never to have

SING SING STATE PRISON.

Improved Condition of the Place—Better Discipline than Formerly—The Conduct of the Convicts—Their Wars.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

About a year since I had occasion to visit the State Prison, at Sing Sing, and upon my return felt it my duty as a citizen to speak through the public journals of the great lack of discipline which appeared manifest in nearly every department. The officials were all polite and desirous of extending every courtesy in their power to visitors, and it needed that one should be able to lay aside for the moment the personal feelings of friendship which their kindness created, to be enabled fairly to discuss the errors which were committed. The trouble may have arisen from carrying kindness and consideration too far. Certain it is that every member of our party was impressed with the idea that Sing Sing was a most unpriasonable place. Convicts seemed to be working pretty much as they pleased, and, I might say, almost, when they pleased. When and with whom to talk seemed a matter very much left for them to decide for themselves. About this time the trial at White Plains of the convicts accused of the murder of another convict, JEFFARDS, who, the testimony showed, was engaged at the time of his death in sending *Gay Manuering*, in a hay loft, opened the eyes of the community and started an investigation, though not very minute, into the manner in which affairs then were being conducted. A short time since occasion again called me to the same prison. In the description of this visit a much more agreeable duty lied before me. I noticed particularly, as we drove through the outer gate on the hill, that the general appearance of the place was altered. Hitherto every thing bore the appearance of confusion; now, there seemed a quiet, cleaned and settled air over every part. There were no groups of convicts standing idiotically about, and nothing looked "shiftless." To what immediate cause this effect may properly be attributed, I, of course, can't say. Certain it is that a radical change has been made in the whole direction of the prison, from the Warden down, with the exception of one or two of the female keepers whose peculiar fitness rendered their services indispensable. On arriving at the prison doors we were received by a sharp, active-looking man, who subsequently proved to be the clerk. He received us with courtesy, and during the time we awaited the guide to conduct us through the departments, we were enabled to judge that he was a man of promptness and activity, and in his intercourse with such of the convicts whose duties called them to his presence during the few minutes we were present, his deportment was such as led us to the conclusion that their treatment from him would depend entirely upon their own behavior. Subsequently we had the pleasure of an interview with Mr. HENRY C. NELSON, the new Warden, whose description of the improvements he had introduced and was still making was very interesting, as well as satisfactory. His firm but pleasant manner fully attested his fitness for the place, and gave assurance that, with the aid of his efficient subordinates, there was little chance that the past grievances would be renewed. The description of the prison has been too often given to your readers to require notice now in detail. Sufficient is it to say that the buildings themselves, with their surroundings, seemed in perfect order—paint and whitewash having been applied where they were before so much needed. The convicts were earnestly at work in all departments under the watchful eyes of the keepers. There was no smirking and chatting when prisoners passed through, and we were led, for the first time, to compare this institution favorably with the institution at Auburn. But one attempt at escape has been made since Mr. NELSON has been in charge, and that occurred on the Friday preceding our visit. The convict had succeeded in making for himself a pair of pants out of the woolen blanket allowed in his cell. After securing this article of apparel, he quietly took from a nail a coat and cap belonging to one of the keepers and then boldly passed out of the prison yard. He succeeded in getting some little distance from the walls when something induced one of the guardsmen to question him. He said that he belonged to a boat and was on his way back to her. Appearances not being satisfactory he was directed to produce a pass, but this being a thing with which he was not provided, he immediately started to run. Very soon he was brought to by a pistol shot, which took effect in his head. It was subsequently discovered that he was armed to defend himself, if necessary, and probably nothing but the positive certainty of death would have induced him to forego his design. We saw him, apparently completely cowed, at work in his shop, with a ball attached to his leg, and with his head closed shaved for identification and warning. Some of the worst of the criminals, who were confined here some time since, have very properly been removed to the stronger walls of Auburn and Clinton. Having seen a notice in the papers of this City some time since that the desperado who was convicted and sentenced for forty years by Recorder HACKETT a few months since for his attempt to rob a jewelry store in the Bowery, and who was then known as "the butcher wagon thief," had escaped from Sing Sing, we took occasion to ask in regard to the particulars. We were informed that it was a *canard*, and that the story probably arose from the fact that he was removed from this prison a short time since to Auburn. The Ex-Deputy-Sheriff MORAN, who was a short time since convicted in this city of aiding and assisting a prisoner to escape, is busily occupied in the quarry, and it is said is much chagrined that he should have allowed himself to be caught by chaff, in permitting himself to be led away from his counsel's advice. BURNS and DECKER, since convicted of murder in the second degree, were confined in their cells awaiting trial on the charge of murdering one of the keepers in their efforts to break jail. Mrs. ROBINSON, better known as "the veiled murderess," still continues a resident at this institution. The same desire to avoid observation controls her now as of old, and it is but seldom that a visitor gains an opportunity of seeing her. She seems to be allowed, as heretofore, to do about as she pleases. Her cell is more tastily decorated than that of any other convict, and she continues to disfigure her countenance every morning with paint and powder, so as to destroy her identity. Her mind is probably to some extent affected by her situation.

Mr. NELSON suggested one idea which seems to be a good one. He believes that by feeding the convicts well, more work is obtained from them, and that they are more reconciled with their condition. He certainly carries his principle into practice, as the following bill of fare attests:

Breakfast—On every day but Monday they get hash, bread and coffee. On that day they have bread and molasses and coffee.

Dinner—On alternate days, corned beef, fresh beef, mess beef, fish, and once a week pork potpie. On each day either rice, split peas, beans or turnips. Every day also coffee and bread.

Supper—Bread and molasses.

If the appearance of the men is an indication of their keeping, they are certainly not starved.

Much complaint is made here by the authorities on account of the few guards they are allowed by law for the protection of the place, and the complaint seems a reasonable one. There are now confined within these walls 1,255 males and 124 females. For the entire charge of this large number the law allows pay for but thirty keepers. There are no walls surrounding this prison, and the only possible security against trouble must consist in constant vigilance and instant punishments for offences. Let the slightest opportunity ever be offered for combination among the convicts, and the power of the keepers would amount to nothing. Under such a possible state of things it seems to us a mistaken policy in the State to economize in this particular. Immense credit we think belongs to Mr. NELSON that up to this time no convicts have escaped, and that since his inauguration eleven convicts have been reclaimed. We wish him a hearty success and a continuance in well-doing.

NEW-YORK, Monday, June 28, 1869. T.

Verdict Against an Insurance Company.

From the Detroit Tribune, July 3.

In the Wayne Circuit Court, yesterday, a verdict was rendered against the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, in favor of Mrs. CAROLINE BARRETT, for $2,362 45, being the amount of a policy of $2,000, with interest, which the plaintiff's husband held in the Company. Her husband, Mr. BARRETT, was an engineer on the Dayton and Cincinnati Railroad, and was killed by a railroad accident in March, 1865. The policy contains a number of provisions, the violation of any of which will be considered cause of forfeiture of the policy. One of these provisions is that the insured must not be an engineer upon a railroad. The deceased, however, was an engineer, and it was so stated in his application for the policy to the agent, and this application was sent by the agent to the principal office of the Company, from which the policy emanated. The plaintiff claimed, according to a decision of the Supreme Court of this State, in a case against Wm. Beers Fire Insurance Company, where the same principle was involved, that the Company, knowing that Mr. BARRETT was a railroad engineer before insuring his life, and then issuing a policy, waived all claims to the provisions expressed in the contract on that point. The Court so charged the jury, and the verdict, as above stated, was given by the jury without leaving their seats. An exception was taken to the charge, and the case will probably be taken to the Supreme Court for a decision.

CATTARAUGUS COUNTY.

The County Seat—Political Rancors—Candidates for Republican Nominations—Forming Prospects.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LITTLE VALLEY, Saturday, July 3, 1869.

The county seat of Cattaraugus County was removed hither about two years ago. Ellicottville, a beautiful and thriving village, had been the shire town ever since the organization of the county. But the New-York and Erie Railroad, which sweeps around nearly three-quarters of the county, left it isolated and difficult of access. It therefore had to yield to the conveniences of the people, and Little Valley became the county seat.

The Supreme Court for this district has been in session at the Court-house during the past ten days, the Hon. RICHARD P. MARVIN, one of the ablest jurists in the State, presiding. Nearly all the towns and villages in Chautauque, Cattaraugus and Allegheny counties have been represented by lawyers, jurors and suitors, among whom were many prominent Republican politicians. They all agree that there has been no fault-finding with the Administration in the Republican ranks, and that General GRANT possesses the full confidence of the people.

Candidates for the Republican nomination for State Senator in this District—Cattaraugus and Chautauque—are already "laying pipe" for delegates. MAT BIXBIS, of Chautauque, who is not unknown to "fame" and the "lobby," Captain NASH, who served gallantly during the recent war, and C. V. B. BARAS, a member of the last Assembly, who is regarded as an upright and capable legislator, are the principal candidates. Strange as it may appear, it is claimed that BIXBIS is secretly favored by the editor of the *Tribune*, but this is not generally credited.

Twenty years ago Cattaraugus was a poverty-stricken county without agricultural enterprise, but now it is exceedingly thrifty, and bids fair in twenty years more to rank among the wealthiest agricultural counties in the State. The soil and climate are especially adapted to dairying. The hills and valleys are covered with herds of milch cows, and almost every cross roads has its cheese factory, to which the farmer with his five cows, as well as the dairyman with his 100 or more, bring their milk, and receive in return a stipulated quantity of cheese.

The frequent showers of rain this season have kept the grass "fresh and green" and luxuriant. The product of the dairy, so far, has been much greater than for any corresponding period in the past ten years.

I do not hear that the farmers in the adjoining counties, where the cultivation of wheat is carried on, complain that the rains have damaged their crops to any considerable extent. The crop promises to be fully an average one.

CHEMUNG.

The Crops.

The Chicago *Times* of Thursday morning publishes special dispatches from sixteen towns in Illinois, eleven in Indiana, nine in Wisconsin, fourteen in Michigan, nine in Iowa, four in Minnesota and three in Ohio, giving reports concerning the crops on Wednesday, June 30. From these reports it appears that corn has been quite generally injured by the recent heavy rains, but the prospects for wheat are unusually good, and other grains are in fine condition, while there will almost certainly be an abundant fruit crop. Previous to the rains the prospects for abundant crops were unusually good, but the harvest will now be delayed somewhat by the great fall of water submerging the fields.

The Chicago *Journal* of Thursday evening says its advices may be summed up thus: The corn prospect has been seriously damaged by the late heavy and protracted rains, but if the present warm weather continues, a fair crop may yet be secured. The wheat and oat crops are not seriously injured as yet, and an average yield may be expected. These are the conclusions we reach after reading a mass of recent letters or dispatches from all parts of the West, and in communications with persons reaching this city within a day or two from the interior of this and from adjoining States.

Court Calendars for Tuesday.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

First Monday Calendar.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

During the Summer vacation, commencing July 6, and ending October 2, the Special Term of this Court will be opened each day at 12 o'clock M. Motions must be noticed for and orders to show cause made returnable at that hour.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Held by Curtiss, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Nos.		Nos.	
2304—	Campbell vs. Smith.	2365—	Hoffman vs. Rindskopf.
2372—	Ferguson vs. Kiernan.	2264—	Willey vs. Martina.
2373—	Barrow vs. Hayson.	2295—	Doty vs. Hanlon.
2374—	Williams vs. Sturgess.	2305—	Juden vs. Warde.
2375—	Thompson vs. Anderson.	2306—	Gordon vs. Webster.
2376—	Reed vs. Purdy.	2308—	Friedman vs. Deutsch.
2377—	Henry vs. Le Baron.	2309—	Meyer vs. Bacon.
2378—	Dermtan vs. Hart.	2320—	Moore vs. Rheinhardt.
2379—	Collins vs. Adriance.	2321—	Sheehan, Jr., vs. Schelin.
2382—	Weiss vs. Boehm.	2329—	Bernheimer vs. Muller.
2381—	Spies vs. Browning.	2330—	Barber vs. Wade.
2383—	Duffy vs. Stone.		

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER.

Held by Cardozo, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

The People vs. Michael Lamont et al., burglary.
The People vs. Geo. Hammond et al., burglary.
The People vs. David Marsh, forgery.
The People vs. August Jelgamy, grand larceny.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Held by Bedford, City Judge.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

The People vs. James Smith, robbery.
The People vs. Philip Winslow, felonious assault and battery.
The People vs. Philip Winslow, assault and battery.
The People vs. John Shelly, felonious assault and battery.
The People vs. John Shelly, felonious assault and battery.
The People vs. Ellen Johnson, larceny.
The People vs. John Williams, grand larceny.
The People vs. John S. Clarke, grand larceny.
The People vs. Wm. Smith, larceny from the person.
The People vs. Chas. W. Fairchild, larceny.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The sales of last week were very light, the country sales particularly so. No very large ones were advertised, and the week was generally dull. This week they will also be small. Yesterday everybody and his wife gave their entire time and attention to celebrating the ever "Glorious Fourth." To-day they will rest, to-morrow scarcely feel sufficiently recovered to wish to go out of town to buy lots; and the auctioneers, appreciating these facts, determined to give them plenty of time to get over their holiday excitements before offering any other. Accordingly no sales will be made until Thursday next. For that day two large ones are advertised.

Messrs. MALLORY & BLACKWELL, an enterprising firm, comparatively new in the auction business, but energetic go-ahead men, who have done considerable business in property along the Hudson River, and are now enlarging their lines, advertise for Thursday, 8th inst., a sale of 200 lots, absolute and without reserve, at Bergenfield, L. I. To persons wanting homes near New-York, where the head of the family can go each night, as comfortably as to the upper part of this City, where taxes are light, and the neighborhood good and healthy, this property is particularly attractive. The communication with this City is excellent; the town lies between the South Side and Flushing Railroads, and has a station on each road. The property to be sold is on the line of the Grand-street extension, which, when completed, will add greatly to its value. It is but fifteen minutes from Thirty-fourth-street, thirty-five minutes from the New-York City Hall, and is on the line of the horse-railroads running from all the Brooklyn ferries. Directly opposite the lots offered a new Methodist Church has been erected, and a school-house is now being built. The marketing facilities are very good. There are several large manufacturing establishments, giving work to hundreds of hands, and the spirit of enterprise having at last taken hold of a few of the large property owners, it is probable the town will rapidly increase. Many improvements have been made and others are talked of. Now is the time to buy, for as the improvements are finished prices must go up. It is useless to go over all the old arguments as to the advantages of each man's owning his own homestead, being free from landlords, the care and worry of moving, &c., &c.; all are familiar with and appreciate them. There are many persons of moderate means who desire to purchase but have not yet been suited, for such this property is intended, and all, husbands, fathers, mothers, wives, sisters and others who are interested in suburban property, are invited to attend. An excellent lunch will be served by first-class caterers on the arrival of the special train, which will leave James Slip at 1 o'clock P. M., Thirty-fourth-street at 1:15 P. M., and Hunter's Point, via Flushing Railroad, at 1:20 P. M. Maps, particulars and free tickets may be had at the auctioneers' office, No. 55 Liberty-street.

The same day Messrs. MULLER, WILKINS & Co. have a large sale at Rye, N. Y. Westchester County is one of the most beautiful of our suburbs, and the property to be sold is delightfully located in a very valuable and pleasant part of it. Property of this class, when offered, has generally sold well, there is considerable demand for it, and the people are willing to pay fair prices. A special train will leave the depot of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad Company, corner of Fourth-avenue and Twenty-seventh-street, at 10 A. M. on the day of sale. Transportation to and from Rye, and collation on the grounds, free. Sale positive. Terms easy. For pamphlets and further information apply to ANDREW WILSON, Jr., at Rye, or to the auctioneer, No. 7 Pine-street.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—A LEASE (FOURTEEN YEARS) of a two-story frame house and lot in 119th-st., between 3d and 4th ave.; brings in yearly rent of $650; price, $1,800. Apply to No. 35 Nassau-st., or the owner, or at Maguire's real estate office, corner of 119th-st. and 3d-av., Harlem.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

A VERY ATTRACTIVE COUNTRY Seat for sale, in Morristown, on the bank of the Raritan River, six minutes' walk from station, and just on the suburbs of a large city; dwelling is about fifty feet square, containing twenty-six rooms, high ceilings and airy; with carriage house; about nine acres, elegantly improved, with very fine shade; three acres in deer park; large gardens; fine lawn, beautifully sloping 400 feet to main road; ice-house, greenhouse, fruit, flowers, &c., &c. Altogether one of the complete and desirable residences; will be sold for $30,000, being much less than value.

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FIRST-CLASS COUNTRY SEAT AT Burlington, N. J., with large new modern mansion, in fine order, with carriage house; grounds are crowded with the choicest bearing fruits of all kinds, the whole in perfect condition. Superior location, easy payments and full particulars of E. MORRIS, Burlington, N. J.

FOR SALE AT MORRISANIA, WESTchester County, a double cottage, 11 rooms, and three lots of ground, on Spring-place, near the Boston road; plenty of fruit; good well of water. Inquire on the premises, between 4th and 5th sts., first house from the Boston road.

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When they will sell absolutely and without reserve, to the highest bidder,

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Maspeth is located between the South Side and Flushing Railroads, and has a station on each road. The property to be sold is on the line of the Great Grand-st. Extension, and is nearer the business centre of New-York than many lots now selling at auction this season. Just think of it! But 15 minutes from ferry-st., and 35 minutes from City Hall, New-York. Horse cars rattling past from the ferries of the Brooklyn ferries; improvements on all sides by horse and steam communication; at each quick and easy access, what must be its capacity prospective value!

Remember this is the opportunity offered this season for investment in lots.

Persons wanting homes, or looking for lots for improvement or speculation, must look sharp and attend this sale. Being just outside the City limits, the taxes are nominal, amounting to less than 40 cents each lot per annum.

Lunch served by first-class caterers on arrival of train, which will leave Long Island Railroad Depot, Hunter's Point, at 1½ P. M., and Hunter's Point, via Flushing Railroad, at 1½ P. M.

Maps, particulars and free tickets at the office of

MALLORY & BLACKWELL,
No. 55 Liberty-st., New-York.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New-York—In the matter of JAMES MOOTLLOUGH and HALLAM, against whom a petition for adjudication of bankruptcy was filed on the 8th day of May, A. D. 1869.—In Bankruptcy.—Southern District of New-York, ss.—An order to show cause having been heretofore made herein on the 4th day of May, 1869, and the same having been duly served on James McCullough above named, who has appeared and filed his answer to said petition, some of the allegations of which proveth that the debtor Hallam above named, cannot be found in this district, and that he has no known place of residence therein, and that he cannot be found in Boston, and that his place of residence in Boston cannot be found, and that he cannot be found or his place of residence be ascertained, and that in consequence thereof the petitioner did order to show cause in this matter, cannot be served on him otherwise than by publication. And on filing proofs evincing the allegations of the petition herein, it is ordered that the said Hallam do appear before me, in my office, in the City of New-York, on the 16th day of July, A. D. 1869, at 10 o'clock M., and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered that a copy of said petition, together with a copy of this order, be served on said Hallam, by publishing this order on the 29th of June, and on the 6th and 13th of July, 1869, in the New-York Daily Times and the Commercial Advertiser.

And it is further ordered that this order be made without prejudice to proceedings had upon the service made by publication.

Witness the Honorable Samuel Blatchford, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at the City of New-York, in said District, the 26th day of June, A. D. 1869.

[L. S.] GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

A true copy from the original on file.

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

G. A. SEXIAS, solicitor for petitioner, 229 Broadway, New-York.

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The road runs east and west on the line of the principal and oldest emigrant wagon road in the State, passing through several populous towns and cities, and the richest agricultural districts in Illinois, which will furnish local business sufficient to make it a first-class paying road; while with its connections with many principal lines the through traffic must be such as to make it one of the most profitable in the country. A glance at a map will convince any one that the prospects of this road are good.

The whole line has been graded at a cost of $[illegible], which has been paid with funds realized from stock subscriptions, and is now ready for the rails, which are being rapidly put down. The whole road will be completed early the coming Fall.

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Coupon, 1881,	117⅛	117¼	Coupon, '68,	116⅝	116⅞
5-20 Regis., 1862,	117	117⅛	10-40 Regist'd,	107⅛	108⅛
5-20 Coupon, '62,	121⅝	122⅛	10-40 Coupon,	108⅛	108⅝
5-20 Coupon, '64,	117⅝	117⅞	Gold,	137⅝	137⅞
5-20 Coupon, '65,	118⅝	118⅞	U. S. Curr. Fac.	109⅛	109⅝
5-20 Coupon, '65, Jan. and July,	118⅝	118⅞			

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CERTIFICATE NO. 20,025 of the Michigan Central Railroad Company for ten shares of Stock, dated Jan. 2, 1869, and standing in the name of Augusta Peters. The public are cautioned not to purchase or negotiate the same.

NEW-YORK, July 1, 1869.

TO THE HOLDERS OF THE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE CUMBERLAND COAL AND IRON COMPANY:

The undersigned will receive proposals to the 15th inst. inclusive, at the office of the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company, corner of Broadway and Wall-st., for the sale to them of the whole or any part of $20,000 of said Bonds, for the purpose of the Sinking Fund.

JAMES BROWN,
JOHN E. WILLIAMS, } Trustees.
LOWELL HOLBROOK,

THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OLD Adams Express Company are requested to meet at No. 23 Broad-st., office of Messrs. Cornell Brothers, on WEDNESDAY, July 7, at 12 o'clock, on business of special importance.

DAVID L. MINSTEIN,
JOHN E. WILLIAMS,
GEORGE A. OSGOOD.

SOUTH PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY.—The coupons of the South Pacific Railroad Company first mortgage bonds, due July 1, 1869, will be paid in gold coin at the National Shoe and Leather Bank New-York, or at the Treasurer's office, No. 40 Washington-st., Boston.

WM. A. HAYES, Treasurer.

HOLDERS OF CITY OR COUNTY Bonds on farm mortgages of the States of Wisconsin and Iowa, wishing to sell or settle, should apply directly to TOWNSEND D. SCELLEY, Milwaukee, Wis.

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FINANCIAL.

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Office of FISK & HATCH,

Bankers & Dealers in Gov'nt Securities,

No. 5 Nassau Street, New-York.

We receive the accounts of Banks, Bankers, Corporations, and others, subject to check at sight, and allow interest on balances. We make collections on all points in the United States and Canada, and issue Certificates of Deposit available in all parts of the Union.

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Issue Circular Letters of Credit for Travelers in all parts of Europe, &c. Exchange on Paris.

$23,000 REWARD.

The Board of Directors of the Ocean National Bank will pay the sum of $23,000 for the arrest and final conviction of the parties who robbed the bank, between the evening of the 25th and the morning of the 26th of June, 1869; also, for the recovery and return of the money stolen, twenty-five per cent. (25 per cent.) of the amount recovered, and for the recovery and return of United States bonds, ten to ten per cent. (ten per cent.) of amount recovered; also a liberal per centum for the return of miscellaneous securities.

By order of the Board.

C. S. STEVENSON, Cashier.

NEW-YORK, June 30, 1869.

The following bonds, stolen from the property of the company of the Ocean National Bank, were stolen on the 27th or 28th of June, 1869. The public are cautioned against purchasing the same:

No. 17,028, 5-20 of 1867, U. S. Coupon Bond, for	$500	
No. 10,630, 5-20 of 1867, U. S. Coupon Bond, for	500	
No. 20,646, 5-20 of 1867, U. S. Coupon Bond, for	500	
No. 108,728, 5-20 of 1868, U. S. Coupon Bond, for	100	
No. 72,[illegible], 5-20 of 1868, U. S. Coupon Bond, for	500	
No. 128,604, 5-20 of 1865, U. S. Coupon Bond, for	1,000	
No. 475, Land Grant Union Pacific Railroad, Eastern Division	1,000	
No. 25,[illegible], 5-20 of 1867, U. S. Bond, for	1,000	
No. 25,145, 5-20 of 1867, U. S. Bond, for	1,000	
No. 19,639, 5-20 of 1865, U. S. Bond, for	1,000	
No. 19,640, 5-20 of 1865, U. S. Bond, for	1,000	
No. 19,641, 5-20 of 1865, U. S. Bond, for	1,000	

Loan of June 30, 1864.

Nos. 99,169 to 99,183, both inclusive, for $1,000 each.

Coupons of 1864, U. S. Bonds, Nos. 224,[illegible], 5-20 of 1864, U. S. Bond for $1,000. No. 224,172, 5-20 of 1867, U. S. Bond for $1,000. Nos. 172,222, 197,820, 176,022, 176,023, 211,077, 174,666, 174,667, 174,668, 222,920, 146,512, 146,514, 146,515, 5-20 U. S. Bonds of 1867, for $1,000 each.

Coupons from 5-20 bonds, of 1861 Bonds dated Nov. 16, 1861. Nos. 30,052, 30,056, 30,057, 30,058, 31,718, 31,722, 31,723, 31,724, 31,725, 31,726, 31,727, 31,728, 31,729, 31,730, 31,731, 31,732, 31,733, 31,734, 31,735, 31,736, 31,737, 31,738, 31,739, 31,740, 31,741, 31,742, 31,743, 31,744, 31,745, 31,746, 31,747, 31,748, 31,749, 31,750, 31,751, 31,752, 31,753, 31,754, 31,755, 31,756, 31,757, 31,758, 31,759, 31,760, 31,761, 31,762, 31,763, 31,764, 31,765, 31,766, 31,767, 31,768, 31,769, 31,770, 31,771, 31,772, 31,773, 31,774, 31,775, 31,776, 31,777, 31,778, 31,779, 31,780, 31,781, 31,782, 31,783, 31,784, 31,785, 31,786, 31,787, 31,788, 31,789, 31,790, 31,791, 31,792, 31,793, 31,794, 31,795, 31,796, 31,797, 31,798, 31,799, 31,800, 31,801, 31,802, 31,803, 31,804, 31,805, 31,806, 31,807, 31,808, 31,809, 31,810, 31,811, 31,812, 31,813, 31,814, 31,815, 31,816, 31,817, 31,818, 31,819, 31,820, 31,821, 31,822, 31,823, 31,824, 31,825, 31,826, 31,827, 31,828, 31,829, 31,830, 31,831, 31,832, 31,833, 31,834, 31,835, 31,836, 31,837, 31,838, 31,839, 31,840, 31,841, 31,842, 31,843, 31,844, 31,845, 31,846, 31,847, 31,848, 31,849, 31,850, 31,851, 31,852, 31,853, 31,854, 31,855, 31,856, 31,857, 31,858, 31,859, 31,860, 31,861, 31,862, 31,863, 31,864, 31,865, 31,866, 31,867, 31,868, 31,869, 31,870, 31,871, 31,872, 31,873, 31,874, 31,875, 31,876, 31,877, 31,878, 31,879, 31,880, 31,881, 31,882, 31,883, 31,884, 31,885, 31,886, 31,887, 31,888, 31,889, 31,890, 31,891, 31,892, 31,893, 31,894, 31,895, 31,896, 31,897, 31,898, 31,899, 31,900, 31,901, 31,902, 31,903, 31,904, 31,905, 31,906, 31,907, 31,908, 31,909, 31,910, 31,911, 31,912, 31,913, 31,914, 31,915, 31,916, 31,917, 31,918, 31,919, 31,920, 31,921, 31,922, 31,923, 31,924, 31,925, 31,926, 31,927, 31,928, 31,929, 31,930, 31,931, 31,932, 31,933, 31,934, 31,935, 31,936, 31,937, 31,938, 31,939, 31,940, 31,941, 31,942, 31,943, 31,944, 31,945, 31,946, 31,947, 31,948, 31,949, 31,950, 31,951, 31,952, 31,953, 31,954, 31,955, 31,956, 31,957, 31,958, 31,959, 31,960, 31,961, 31,962, 31,963, 31,964, 31,965, 31,966, 31,967, 31,968, 31,969, 31,970, 31,971, 31,972, 31,973, 31,974, 31,975, 31,976, 31,977, 31,978, 31,979, 31,980, 31,981, 31,982, 31,983, 31,984, 31,985, 31,986, 31,987, 31,988, 31,989, 31,990, 31,991, 31,992, 31,993, 31,994, 31,995, 31,996, 31,997, 31,998, 31,999, 32,000, 32,001, 32,002, 32,003, 32,004, 32,005, 32,006, 32,007, 32,008, 32,009, 32,010, 32,011, 32,

SHIPPING.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 42 North River as follows:

LAFAYETTE.....DUCHESNE, SATURDAY, July 10
ST. LAURENT.....LEMARIE, SATURDAY, July 31
VILLE DE PARIS.....BURMOT, SATURDAY, Aug. 7
LAFAYETTE.....ROUSSAU, SATURDAY, Aug. 21

Rates of passage payable in gold (value included):
TO BREST OR HAVRE, First cabin, $140; second cabin, $100.
TO PARIS, including railway ticket, $145 and $95.

Passengers traveling going to or returning from the Continent may save by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the disagreeable passage across the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

SEG. MAGNONI, JR., Agent, No. 52 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

Russia, Wednesday, July 7 | Cambria, Thursday, July 22
Persia, Thursday, July 8 | Cuba, Wednesday, July 28
Africa, Wednesday, July 14 | Tripoli, Thursday, July 29
Malta, Thursday, July 15 | Scotia, Wednesday, Aug. 4
Boston, Wednesday, July 21 | Siberia, Thursday, Aug. 5

RATES OF PASSAGE.

By the Wednesday steamers, not carrying emigrants, First Cabin, $120 gold. Second Cabin, $80 gold.
First Cabin to Paris.....$145 gold.

By the Thursday and Saturday steamers:
First Cabin.....$80 gold. Steerage.....$30, currency
Second Cabin.....$60 gold. Steerage to Liverpool, Glasgow or Londonderry.....$30, currency

Through Bills of Lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, and all ports in the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.

For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling-green.

For steerage passage only, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building.

CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN: Regular line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, July 10, 1 P. M.
ETNA (via Halifax).....Tuesday, July 13, 1 P. M.
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....Saturday, July 17, 10 A. M.
CITY OF LONDON.....Saturday, July 24, 1 P. M.

And each succeeding SATURDAY and Alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

PAYABLE IN GOLD.
First Cabin.....$100
To London.....$105
To Paris.....115
PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMER, VIA HALIFAX.
FIRST CABIN. PAYABLE IN GOLD.
Liverpool.....$80
Halifax.....20
St. John's, N. F., by [illegible] 40
Branch Steamer.....[illegible]

PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Steerage.....$30
To London.....35
To Paris.....35
STEERAGE. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Liverpool.....$30
Halifax.....15
St. Johns, N. F., by [illegible] 20
Branch Steamer.....[illegible]

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, at lowest rates.

Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.

For further information, apply at the Company's Office.

JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LONDONDERRY.

THE ANCHOR LINE.

Favorite Clyde-built passenger Steamers are intended to sail as follows:

DORIAN.....July 7 | BRITANNIA.....July 24
CAMBRIA.....July 10 | COLUMBIA.....July 31
IOWA.....July 17 | EUROPA.....Aug. 7

and each SATURDAY, from Pier No. 20 North River, at 12 o'clock, noon.

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

Cabin, to Glasgow or Londonderry, $60 and $70.
Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $110.
Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; intermediate, $35.
Prepaid Certificates from these ports, $30.
Passengers landed at Londonderry, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.
Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.

For further information apply on the steamers, foot of Day-st., or at the Company's offices, No. 7 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.

CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.

From Pier No. 40 North River, WEDNESDAY.

COLORADO, 3,616 tons.....July 7, at 3 P. M.
NEBRASKA, 3,616 tons.....July 14, at 3 P. M.
MANHATTAN, 2,546 tons.....July 21, at 3 P. M.
IDAHO, 3,122 tons.....July 28, at 4½ P. M.
MINNESOTA, 4,005 tons.....Aug. 4, at 3 P. M.
NEVADA, 3,125 tons.....Aug. 11, at 4½ P. M.

CABIN PASSAGE.....(Gold).....$80
STEERAGE.....(Currency).....$30
Saloon and State Rooms all on Deck.
Steerage Passage Office, No. 32 Broadway.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.

NATIONAL LINE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.

From Pier No. 47 North River.

THE QUEEN, Gibbs, Saturday, July 10, at 2 P. M.
ENGLAND, Thompson, Saturday, July 17, at 11 A. M.
FRANCE, Grace, Saturday, July 24, at 2 P. M.

Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $75; Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

STEAM TO ANTWERP.

CALLING AT SOUTHAMPTON.

INMAN LINE.

CITY OF DUBLIN.....July 7
CITY OF LIMERICK.....Aug. 4

And monthly throughout the year.

RATES OF STEERAGE PASSAGE.

To Antwerp, $30, Currency. To Havre, $28, Currency.
To Antwerp, $35, Currency. To Paris.....35, Currency.

For freight or passage apply to
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, N. Y.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE TO

CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.

Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:

First Cabin.			Second Cabin.	Steerage.
Outside.	Inside.			
$200	$185		$150	$75

Steamers at the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Morton-st., at 12 o'clock, noon, on the 1ST, 11TH AND 21ST, EACH MONTH, except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.

JULY 30.—ALASKA, Captain GRAY, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Captain Trumbull.

Steamer leaving July 30, connects closely with steamer OREGONIAN, leaving San Francisco Aug. 4 for China and Japan.

NOTICE.—Freight or passage.—Freight for steamer ALASKA received until 4 P. M. on FRIDAY, July 9. All special facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges, drafts and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st.

F. R. RABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL, UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 2d of every month:

MERRIMACK, Capt. ——, July 28.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKEPAUGH, Aug. 23.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. WISE, Sept. 22.

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia, and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to

H. B. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

REGULAR LINE

FOR PUERTO PLATA, SAMANA AND ST. DOMINGO CITY, VIA TURKS ISLAND.

The favorite steamer TYBEE, Capt. E. A. DELANOY, will leave for the above ports on SATURDAY, July 17, at 12 o'clock noon, precisely.

For freight or passage, having elegant accommodations, apply to

SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO., No. 39 Broadway.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA., AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.

GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE STEAMSHIPS, AND CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA.

GREAT REDUCTION IN PASSENGER RATES TO ALL POINTS IN THE INTERIOR.

TWICE A WEEK,
THURSDAYS
AND
SATURDAYS.

The steamships
LEO, Capt. DIMMOCK, THURSDAY, July 8, from Pier No. 50 North River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents, Nos. 61 and 63 South-st.

SAN JACINTO, Capt. ATKINS, SATURDAY, July 10, from Pier No. 9 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green.

RAPIDAN, Capt. MALLORY, WEDNESDAY, July 28, from Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M.
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents, No. 63 Liberty-st.

SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NEEMANN, SATURDAY, July 10, from Pier No. 9 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent, No. 5 Bowling-green.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

TO SAVANNAH AND POINTS IN THE INTERIOR OF GEORGIA AND FLORIDA.

THE BLACK STAR LINE OF STEAMSHIPS

Having withdrawn from the associated lines, will run a semi-weekly Independent line commencing early in August next.

This line will give through Bills of Lading to all points in connection with the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad and N. A. Cohen's line of steamers to Augusta, and also give through rates to stations on Central Railroad, Southwestern Railroad, Macon and Western Railroad, Augusta and Savannah Railroad, Georgia Railroad, Augusta and Macon Railroad, Milledgeville and Eatonton Railroad, Macon and Georgia Railroad, Macon and Brunswick Railroads, and all landings on Chattahoochee River.

R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 22 West-st.
OCTAVUS COHEN & CO., Agents, Savannah.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.

THE CROMWELL LINE.

Steamships of the Line will leave Pier No. 1 North River, at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:

GEO. CROMWELL.....Yates.....Saturday, July 10
GEO. WASHINGTON.....Gager.....Saturday, July 17

Freight taken for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston at through rates. For passage, first and second class, or freight, apply to

R. R. CROMWELL & CO., No. 96 West-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA PORTS, THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.—REGULAR LINE.—The fast and favorite side-wheel steamship MAGNOLIA, M. S. CROWELL, Commander, will sail on WEDNESDAY, July 7, at 1 P. M., from Pier No. 5 North River, foot of Rector-st.

Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest. Agents in Charleston (RAVENEL & CO.) forward all freight free of commission.

ARTHUR LEARY, Agent, No. 78 William-st.

The SARAGOSSA will sail July 14.

SHIPPING.

FOR NASSAU, N. P., CARRYING THE ROYAL MAIL.

Atlantic Mail S.S. Co.'s steamer EAGLE, Captain M. R. GREENE, THURSDAY, July 15, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.

For freight or passage apply to
J. G. WHITNEY, Jr., President.
No. 4 Bowling-green.

HAVANA, CIGAR AND TOBACCO CROUS.

New-York and Havana Mail Steamship Line, from Pier No. 9 East River, at 10 A. M.

The splendid steamer
CLEOPATRA, Capt. PHILLIPS.....July 8
CITY OF MEXICO, Capt. PEAKE.....July 22

For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDER & SONS, No. 52 Broadway.

U. S. MAIL TO HAVANA.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.

COLUMBIA, Capt. F. WAY, Jr.....July 8
EAGLE, Capt. M. R. GREENE, (via Nassau).....July 15
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. F. ADAMS.....July 22

For freight or passage apply to
H. G. WHITNEY, Jr., President,
No. 4 Bowling-green.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.—THE STEAMSHIP ALABAMA, Capt. J. P. HAINES, will leave Pier No. 38 North River, foot of Jay-st., on SATURDAY, July 17, at 3 P. M. Freight received and taken up to the day of sailing. Passage $60 and $50, currency. For freight or passage, apply to

J. G. FOX, Agent,
No. 63 Liberty-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—United States passports procured, viséed and renewed by J. BENGINE, Passport Agent, 22 Broadway.

STEAMBOATS.

FOR BOSTON

VIA FALL RIVER, DIRECT.

The world-renowned steamers

BRISTOL and PROVIDENCE,

COMMANDERS BRAYTON, COMMANDER SIMMONS, WILL LEAVE (Alternate Days) DAILY, FROM PIER—NORTH RIVER, (Foot of Chambers-st.) AT 4 P. M.

DODSWORTH'S CELEBRATED ORCHESTRA.

Grand Promenade Concert EVERY EVENING.

THE ONLY LINE RUNNING SUNDAY NIGHT.

PROMPTNESS AND CERTAINTY.—Passengers by the above steamers will leave Fall River at 8:30 A. M., ARRIVING at 6:30 A. M.

RETURNING will leave Providence at 4 P. M., making direct connection with the boat, and allowing a good night's rest on board each way.

To better accommodate the public
THE SPLENDID STEAMERS,

NEWPORT and OLD COLONY,

COMMANDER LEWIS, COMMANDER MILLER, WILL LEAVE (Alternate Days) DAILY, (SUNDAYS EXCEPTED),

FROM PIER—NORTH RIVER, (Foot of Murray-st.) AT 4 P. M.

For BOSTON via NEWPORT.

FREIGHT taken up to 5 P. M., and as Pier 35 up to 6:30 P. M. each evening.

JAMES VISK, Jr., President.
M. B. SIMONS, Managing Director.
CHAS. H. MILLS, General Freight Agent.
H. H. MANGAM, Freight Agent.
NARRAGANSETT STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LAKE SUPERIOR.

WARD'S WEEKLY LINE OF STEAMERS, KEWEENAW and ST. PAUL, running during the season to all Lake Superior ports.

One of the above first-class, low-passage passenger steamers will leave Fall River every Saturday, for Detroit, for Duluth, Superior City and all intermediate ports every TUESDAY NIGHT at 11 o'clock, after the arrival of the 1st Eastern trains, and calling at Newport, Stonington, Cuttyhunk, Vineyard Haven, Holmes Hole, the following morning, connecting at Superior with stages for St. Paul, Minn.

Passengers for the Red River Country will find this the cheapest and most expeditious route. For tickets, rooms, or any information, apply to EBER WARD, Detroit, or BRADY & CO., Agents, Detroit, Mich.

STONINGTON LINE.

TO BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE.

MOST DIRECT.

GREAT INSIDE ROUTE—SHORTEST AND

Fare always as low as by any other line.

The new and elegant Side-wheel steamers
STONINGTON and NARRAGANSETT,
Capt. WM. M. JONES. Capt. GEO. B. HULL,

From Pier No. 35, foot of Jay-st., North River, at 4 P. M.

Arriving ahead of all other lines.

Tickets sold and state-rooms secured at No. 2 Astor House, and at Dodd's Express office, No. 944 Broadway.

D. S. BABCOCK,
President Stonington Steamboat Company.

PEOPLE'S LINE FOR ALBANY.

THE LARGEST AND MOST MAGNIFICENT RIVER STEAMERS IN THE WORLD,

THE ST. JOHN, DREW AND DEAN RICHMOND.

One of the above steamers will leave Pier No. 41 North River EVERY AFTERNOON (Sundays excepted), at 5 o'clock, on arrival of Albany trains, connect with railroad trains West and North. Returning, leave the Albany Steamboat Landing at 7 o'clock P. M., or on the arrival of connecting trains from the West and North. Through tickets can be obtained at the office on the wharf, and baggage checked to the destination. Freight received until the hour of departure.

LONG BRANCH EXPRESS.

On and after MONDAY, June 21, the Newark Express Company will run daily (Sundays excepted) a Long Branch Express. Orders to call for goods can be left at any of the offices of the Adams Express Company.

Goods delivered to the Adams Express wagons will be forwarded promptly.

G. R. DUNN,
Superintendent New-Jersey Express Co.

DAY LINE OF STEAMERS

FOR ALBANY AND TROY.—CHANGE OF TIME.

On and after Thursday, July 8, the day line of steamers will leave DEBBLOEMEN-ST. at 8 A. M., and 24TH-ST. at 8:45 A. M.

FOR LONG BRANCH.—THE SPLENDID steamers

MAGENTA, Captain JOHN MANNING,

Will leave New-York from Pier No. 28 North River, north side of pier, foot of Barclay-st., daily (Sundays excepted), at 8:30 A. M. and 4 P. M., leaving Long Branch at 7:30 A. M. and 1 P. M., stopping at intermediate points. Fare, each way, $1; excursion tickets, good for 10 days, $1 50; three months, $5. On Wednesdays and Saturdays there will be an extra train from Long Branch at 6 P. M. Fare, including supper, $1 50. Leaving at 8 A. M. and 3 P. M. Excursion, carriages and general freight transported. Dodd's Express Company will attend to all baggage and excursion tickets and will have tickets for sale at their principal offices.

M. PAUL, Superintendent.
L. B. & S. S. R. R.

TROY LINE FOR ALBANY AND TROY.—The fastest, finest, cleanest evening river steamboats in the world, The VANDERBILT or CONNECTICUT leaves Pier No. 41 North River, foot of Spring-st., every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, at 5 o'clock, and foot of West 24th-st. at 5:15. Fare only $1 50, being $1 75 less than rail and 75c. cheaper than any other route, and like reduction to Saratoga, Glens Falls, all points West, Lake Champlain, Lake George, all points on Lake Champlain, to Montreal, to all points in Vermont and Western Massachusetts. Tickets and Drawing-room Seats secured at Dodd's Express Offices, Nos. 651 and 944 Broadway, New-York, and No. 1 Court-st., Brooklyn. Baggage called for at residences and checked through to destination; also, at 24 and 32 Broadway, Long Branch, and at the office on the boat.

FOR CONEY ISLAND.—THE STEAMBOAT Dean will leave Catharine-slip, East River, on regular trips to Coney Island, leaving Catharine-slip at 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 A. M., 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30 P. M. Pier No. 4 Morris-st., North River, at 9 and 11 A. M., 1, 3, 5, 7 P. M.

The steamboat SYLVAN GROVE, Captain S. T. Wilcox, makes regular trips to Coney Island, leaving North-st. at Williamsburg, at 8 o'clock; Hamilton-ferry, at 8:30 A. M., 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30 P. M. Peck-slip, at 9:30, 11:30, 1:30, 3:30; Fulton-ferry, Brooklyn, at 9:15 and 5 o'clock.

SHREWSBURY RED BANK AND LONG BRANCH.—The steamer ROBIN BIRD will leave New-York, foot of Warren-st., as follows:

LEAVE NEW-YORK.		LEAVE RED BANK.	
Fri., July 2.....	9 A. M.	Fri., July 2.....	1:30 P. M.
Sat., July 3.....	1 P. M.	Sat., July 3.....	5:30 P. M.
Sun., July 4.....	9 A. M.	Sun., July 4.....	4 P. M.
Mon., July 5.....	7 A. M.	Mon., July 5.....	6 A. M.
Mon., July 5.....	4 P. M.	Mon., July 5.....	6:30 P. M.
Tues., July 6.....	8 P. M.	Wed., July 7.....	6:30 A. M.

ALBANY AND TROY.—THE DAY LINE Boats C. VEDDER and H. DREW will commence their regular trips to Albany, on MONDAY, May 3d. Leaving Debloemen-st. at 7 A. M. and 24th-st. at 7:45, connecting with the New-York Central, Hudson River, and Harlem and Susquehanna Railroads for all points North and West. Leaving at Troy for Bennington, Poughkeepsie, Rhinebeck, Catskill and Hudson.

FOR NORWALK AND DANBURY.—Railroad and steamboat line.—The fast and beautiful steamboat NELLY WHITE leaves Pier E, R., foot Market-st., every afternoon at 2:45, and Saturdays at 4 o'clock, for Norwalk. Leave Norwalk at 7:45 A. M., on the arrival of the Shore Line and New Haven trains. Fare, 75 cents; excursion tickets, 25 20.

FOR CATSKILL.—STEAMBOS THOMAS POWELL and NEW CHAMPION leave Franklin-st. Pier daily, at 3 P. M., and SATURDAYS at 2 P. M., landing at Cold Spring, Highland, Rhinecliff, Rondout, Saugerties, Malden, West Camp, Smith's Dock and Greenstown, connecting at Catskill with cars for the Catskill Mountain House and all points West.

STEAMER P. P. MARTIN, FOR Shinnecock, Cold Spring, Oyster Bay and Sag Harbor, daily at 4:15 P. M. from Pier No. 14 East River, foot of Walnut-st. Round trip, adults, $4 20. Fare to Sylvester, $1. Inquire on board, or of Thomas Kelly, Huntington and Oyster Bay Express on board.

FOR GLEN COVE AND BOSLYN.—LANDing at White Stone, Bayville Dock (Ft. Schuyler), Glen Neck, Sands' Pt., Mott's Dock and Glenwood.—Str. Seawanhaka leaves Peck-slip every afternoon (Sundays excepted) at 4. Stopping at 57th-st., each way, for passengers only.

FOR RONDOUT, POUGHKEEPSIE and Newburg, landing at Cozzens', Cornwall, Milton, Marlboro and Milton Landings, the steamboat THOMAS CORNELL and JAMES W. BALDWIN, leave Pier foot of Harrison-st. daily at 4 P. M.

STEAMER MARY POWELL WILL LEAVE FOR ROSLYN, SATURDAY, June 5, 1869, Glen Cove, West Point, Cornwell, Newburg, New-Hamburg, Milton, Poughkeepsie and Rondout, leaving pier foot Desbrosses-st. EVERY AFTERNOON at 3½.

D. S. T. SMITH'S STEAMBOAT Line for Yonkers, Tarrytown, Nyack, Haverstraw, Peekskill and all ports daily, at 3 P. M. Pier 1 North River, foot of Vesey-st.

FOR BRIDGEPORT AND POINTS East.—Steamers and Navigation Railroads, foot of Harrison-st. Steamers leave Catharine-slip at 11 noon and at 5 P. M. Leave Bethel, West Port, at 6 and 9 P. M.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, SPRINGFIELD, &c.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3 and 4½ P. M., connecting with railroad.

RAILROADS.

SUMMER EXCURSIONS.

THE HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD CONNECTS with the Central, Erie, Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, Great Western, Grand Trunk, Detroit and Milwaukee, Chicago and Northwestern, Chicago and Rock Island, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, Chicago and Alton, Pacific, Union Pacific, Central Pacific, Kansas Pacific, Pacific of Missouri, Hannibal and St. Joseph, Ogdensburg and Lake Champlain, Central Vermont, Grand Junction, Canadian, Great Western, Northern, Grand Trunk, Portland and Ogdensburg, Boston and Maine, Eastern, Boston and Lowell, Boston and Worcester, Fitchburg, Boston and Albany, Providence and Worcester, Providence and Stonington, Shore Line, Boston and Providence, Norwich and Worcester, Norwich and New-York, Housatonic, Naugatuck, New-Haven and Northampton, Connecticut River, Vermont Valley, Cheshire, Boston, Hartford and Erie, Hartford and New-Haven, Hartford and Springfield, Housatonic and Berkshire, Harlem, Saratoga and Hudson River, Troy and Boston, Troy and Greenfield, Troy and Lansingburgh, Troy and Schenectady, Troy and Rutland, Troy and Boston, Troy and Bennington, Troy and Cohoes, Troy and Saratoga, Troy and Ballston, Troy and Lake Pleasant, Troy and Hoosick Tunnel, Troy and Bennington, Troy and Shaftsbury, Troy and Lake Superior region, embracing many new and attractive routes, and a great variety of SHORT and CHEAP excursions as well as long and expensive tours, at very moderate rates, can now be obtained at the offices of the ERIE RAILWAY, Nos. 241 and 207 Broadway; No. 338 Fulton-st., Brooklyn; depots foot of 23d-st. and foot of Chambers-st, and Long Dock Depot, Jersey City.

L. D. RUCKER, Gen. Supt. WM. R. SARR, Gen. Pass'r Agent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE Depots foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st. as follows:

Through Express Erie, 3 A. M. 10 A. M., 2:30 P. M. and 8:30 P. M. daily. New and improved Drawing-room Coaches will accompany the 3 A. M. train to Buffalo, connecting at Hornellsville with magnificent Sleeping Coaches through to Cleveland. Sleeping Coaches will accompany the 10 A. M. train to Meadville and from Susquehanna to Buffalo; the 8:30 P. M. train to Buffalo and the 8:30 P. M. train to Rochester, Buffalo and Cincinnati.

For Port Jervis and Way, 11:30 A. M., daily, stopping at all stations; and 4:30 P. M. Orange Co. Express, connecting for Newburgh, Warwick, Montgomery and Unionville.

For Middletown and Way, at 2:30 P. M.

For Suffern and Way, at 6:30 A. M. daily.

For Suffern and Way, 5:15 P. M. and 6 P. M. Theatre train 11:30 P. M. daily.

For Paterson and Way, at 6:30 A. M. Depot, at 6:30 A. M., 9 A. M., 12 M., 1:30 P. M., (daily,) 4 P. M. and 6:30 P. M. Depot, foot Chambers-st. Depot, foot 23d-st., 9 A. M., 12 M., 4 P. M., 6 P. M., 6 P. M. and 8:30 P. M.

For Hackensack and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 12 M., 4 P. M., 6 P. M., 6 P. M. and 8:30 P. M.

For Piermont, Monsey and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 12 M., 4:30 P. M., 6 P. M., 6 P. M. and 8:30 P. M. and Sundays only, at 11 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Tickets for passage and for apartments in Drawing-room and Sleeping Coaches can be obtained, and orders for the checking and transfer of baggage may be left at the Company's offices, Nos. 241 and 207 Broadway; No. 338 Fulton-st., Brooklyn; depots foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st., New-York; Long Dock Depot, Jersey City, and of the agents at the principal hotels.

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To Piermont only.

SOUTH SIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.

On and after June 28, the trains will leave the Roosevelt and Grand-st. Ferries, as follows:

8:00 A. M. mail for Patchogue and way stations.
10:30 A. M. Merrick and all stations.
3:30 P. M. express for Babylon, stopping at Jamaica, Valley Stream, Baldwinsville, Merrick, South Oyster Bay, and all stations east except Westbury.
4:30 P. M. express train will connect through to Patchogue.
4:30 P. M. accommodation to Islip, on Saturdays through to Patchogue.
6 P. M. to Merrick, and on Saturdays through to Islip.

All trains will connect at Valley Stream for Rockaway. The 8:30 A. M. and 3:30 P. M. trains will connect with boat ROBERT WHITE, Superintendent.

NEW-YORK TO MONTREAL WITHOUT CHANGE OF CARS.—On and after July 1, 1869, passenger trains will leave New-York and Harlem Railroad depot, corner of 4th-st. and 4th-av., daily, (Sundays excepted), at 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., for Montreal, Ogdensburg and intermediate points.

Tickets can be procured and baggage checked to all points North.

Train at 9 A. M. train runs on Sundays.

Sleeping cars attached to all night trains.

L. D. BUCKHOUT, General Superintendent.

NEW-YORK, June 28, 1869.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD CONNECTS with Northern and Western and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, leaving New-York as follows: Cincinnati and Chicago Express, 8:45 A. M.; Chicago Express, 9:45 A. M.; Montreal Express, 4 P. M.; Albany Express, 6 P. M.; Night Express, 11 P. M. Elegant drawing-room cars attached to all day trains, and sleeping cars to night trains. The 8:30 P. M. train runs on Sundays.

APRIL 26, 1869. WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-Pres.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-HAMPSHIRE.—Trains will leave Chambers-st. Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 9 A. M., 1:30, 4:15, 5:15 and 6:30 P. M., and at 12, midnight, on Saturdays. The A. M. and 1, 4:15 and 5:15 P. M. trains run through to Concord.

MAY 17, 1869.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER of the application of the Commissioners of the Central Park for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York, relative to the opening of Sixty-eighth-street, from Eighth-avenue to the Hudson River, in the City of New-York.

We, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupants, lessees, parties, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, as follows:

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who shall appear before us, will be heard in support of objections in writing, duly verified, by D. F. Ingraham, Jr., Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 42 Nassau-st. (Room No. 6), in the City of New-York, on the 12th day of July, 1869, at 12 M., that we the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said delivery of a duplicate of the said assessment, which will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, showing the aggregate amount of the said awards, estimated and other sums, which we have allowed by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Street Commissioner's Office, of the City of New-York, there to remain until the 14th day of August, 1869.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, fronting on Sixty-eighth-street, in the City of New-York, between the Eighth-avenue and the Hudson River, and extending on either side of said Sixty-eighth-street, half the distance from the same to the adjoining streets.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New-York, at a special term thereof, to be held at the City Hall, in the City of New-York, on the 20th day of August, 1869, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

D. F. INGRAHAM, Jr.,
T. COMAN,
G. W. DIMMITT,
} Commissioners.

Dated NEW-YORK, June 28, 1869.

OFFICE OF COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL Revenue for the 4th District of the State of New-York, comprising the 3d, 8th, 4th and 5th Wards of the City of New-York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to law, that I have received from the Assessor the lists of valuations and compensations of property subject to tax under the "act to provide internal revenue to support the Government and to pay the interest on the public debt for other purposes, approved June 30, 1864, and the acts amendatory thereof, approved March 3, 1865, July 13, 1866, and March 2, 1867; that the duplicate thereof has been delivered to me for collection; that I am ready to receive taxes from all persons liable, and that I will attend, personally or by deputy, for the collection of the same at my office, No. 41 Cortlandt-st., in the City of New-York, daily, (Sundays excepted,) from the 19th day of June until the 10th day of July, 1869, inclusive, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.

Notice will be given hereafter of the SPECIAL TAXES on BUSINESSES, TRADES and PROFESSIONS, and the taxes on CARRIAGES, BILLIARD TABLES, GOLD WATCHES, GOLD AND SILVER PLATE, for the year ending April 30, 1870, and the taxes upon BANKS for the year ending Dec. 31, 1869.

All persons who shall neglect to pay the same due by them, respectively, according to the lists aforesaid, within ten days after the publication, will become liable to the penalties prescribed by law.

ALFRED PLEASONTON, Collector.

Dated NEW-YORK, June 15, 1869.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF William D. Veeder, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, New-York, dated June 1, 1869, according to law, to all persons having claims against THOMAS HUGHLIN, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the Administrators, at the office of F. C. Farley, No. 45 South-st., in the City of New-York, on or before the 10th day of October next. Dated April 5, 1869.

MARY L. BUCKLIN,
FREDERICK C. FARLEY,
} Administrators.

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AUCTION SALES.

GOVERNMENT SALE OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE AND QUARTERMASTER'S STORES.

DEPUTY QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, June 28, 1869.

Will be sold at public auction at Schuylkill Arsenal, on WEDNESDAY, July 28, 1869, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., under the direction of Captain WM. H. GILL, Military Storekeeper, U. S. Army, a large lot of clothing, camp and garrison equipage, and Quartermaster's stores, consisting in part of:

34,328	uniform jackets, Veteran Reserve Corps...New
67,740	yards worsted cloth.....New
878	yards linsey cloth.....New
1,054	yards green kersey.....New
2,000	common tents, linen.....New

There will also be sold at the same time, a large lot of damaged clothing and camp and Quartermaster's stores, consisting in part of:

2,700	woolen blankets;
28,423	uniform coats,
857	sack coats,
1,186	foragers caps,
400	shirts,
86	pairs stockings,
1,016	pairs trousers,
1,129	grain sacks,
20	sets harness,
22,650	feet galvanized pipe,

and a variety of articles, embracing chevrons, drawers, bags, knapsacks, chamfer-irons, belts, cards and dies, tools, &c., &c.

Will be sold in lots to suit purchasers. Catalogues will be furnished on application at this office, or at the office of Captain GILL, Schuylkill Arsenal, at the auction rooms of M. Thomas & Sons, Nos. 139 and 141 South 4th-st.

STEWART VAN VLIET,
Bvt. Maj.-Gen. and Brig.-Gen. U. S. A.,
Depty Q. M. Gen. and Brig.-Gen. U. S. A.

PROPOSALS.

OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, FIRST DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF THE EAST, CORNER OF HOUSTON AND GREENE-STS., NEW-YORK CITY, June 28, 1869.

SEALED PROPOSALS IN DUPLICATE will be received at this office until 11 o'clock P. M., July 27, 1869, for supplying the Quartermaster's Department of this District with the following articles, viz:

714 bushels Oats, best quality;
29,320 bushels Oats, best quality;
654,000 pounds good merchantable timothy Hay, and
36,792 pounds Straw, of the best quality;

to be delivered at such times at the places hereinafter named as may be required prior to Oct. 31, 1869, as follows:

Fort Columbus, New-York Harbor—600 bushels Oats, 24,400 pounds Hay and 115,000 pounds Straw.
Fort Wood, New-York Harbor—137 bushels Oats, 3,110 pounds Hay.
Fort Hamilton, New-York Harbor—879 bushels Corn, 1,015 bushels Oats, 68,000 pounds Hay, 48,240 pounds Straw.
Fort Schuyler, New-York Harbor—45 bushels Corn, 1,404 bushels Oats, 43,600 pounds Hay and 25,171 pounds Straw.
Fort Tompkins, New-York Harbor—21 bushels Corn, 321 bushels Oats, 35,770 pounds Hay and 22,400 pounds Straw.
Willet's Point, New-York Harbor—4,460 bushels Oats, 110,000 pounds Hay and 115,000 pounds Straw.
Fort Schuyler, Boston Harbor, 1,000 bushels Corn, 20,000 pounds Hay and 20,000 pounds Straw.
Fort Adams, R. I.—1,778 bushels Oats and 52,800 pounds Straw.
Fort Trumbull, Conn.—1,400 bushels Oats, 27,000 pounds Hay and 20,000 pounds Straw.
Fort Schuyler, N. Y.—15,000 bushels Oats and 400,000 pounds Hay.
Watervliet Arsenal, Mass.—201 bushels Oats, 26,000 pounds Hay and 14,

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was set on fire by the wad of a pistol. Damage about $25.

At 5 P. M. a fire broke out in the room of L. Ornstein, second story of No. 85 Avenue D. Extinguished with trifling damage.

At 8:30 P. M. the roof of a building corner of Sixth-avenue and Thirty-sixth-street was ignited by fire-crackers before thrown upon it, but the flames were so quickly extinguished that but little damage was done.

At 8 P. M. the awning in front of No. 488 Sixth-avenue took fire from fire-crackers. Damage slight.

At 6:15 P. M. the roof of No. 208 Spring-street was ignited by fire-crackers. Extinguished with slight loss.

At 8:30 P. M. the stand for sale of fireworks on sidewalk at corner of Broome and Ridge streets took fire, and the whole establishment went off in uproar. Excitement great, but damage small.

At 6:45 P. M. fire-crackers ignited the roof of No. 22 Delancey-street. Damage trifling.

At 8 P. M. the roof of No. 140 Elm-street was fired by the all-pervading crackers, but the flames were extinguished before doing any damage.

At 8:40 P. M. slight fire at No. 42 Vandam-street, from the universal cause, but it was extinguished without giving an alarm.

At 9 P. M. the roof-gutter of No. 195 Delancey-street took fire from fire-crackers.

At 9:30 P. M. the roof of No. 149 West Thirteenth-street caught fire from fire-crackers. Damage slight.

At 9:40 P. M. the roof of No. 17 Third-avenue was set on fire by fireworks. Damage slight.

At 10:15 P. M. the roof of No. 71 Vandam-street was ignited by a rocket, but the fire was extinguished before any damage was done.

THE VICINITY.

Enthusiasm Throughout the City.

The weather being all that could be desired, the people of Brooklyn enjoyed the day most thoroughly. The City Hall was gaily decorated with flags. The Stars and Stripes floated joyously from all the public buildings, and from hundreds of private dwellings throughout the city. Wherever there is a vacant lot it was occupied by base-ball amateurs, who played with a vigor that showed how much the holiday was appreciated. The youthful patriotism of the city was evinced by the firing of crackers, pistols, cannons, torpedoes, the laceration of hands and disfigurement of heads. The City Hospital and Long Island College Hospital were held in readiness throughout the day for the admission of patients brought low by the premature explosions of powder in various ways, and wounds were dressed by the surgeons with an alacrity most commendable.

Considering the fact that some of the volunteer fire companies, not yet disbanded, had resolved, two or three days ago not to turn out to any fires which might occur on the Fourth, the city was kept in excellent order, and the firemen who did attend to duty performed their duty with praiseworthy promptitude. The fact alluded to having become known to the Fire Commissioners in good time, they took the proper steps to provide for emergencies, and their success was admirable. In any or all cases where firemen refused to do duty yesterday, they will find considerable trouble in obtaining their discharges. To this latter fact may be due many broken resolutions, the result of healthful afterthought.

The salute for the day was fired from Fort Greene at noon.

In the evening the exhibitions of pyrotechnics furnished by Commissioner Connolly were witnessed by thousands of the people with evident enthusiasm. The most extensive show was that in the Western District, at Fort Greene; the next in magnitude was that at the Satellite ground, near Broadway, for the Eastern District, and the next was at Carroll Park, for South Brooklyn. Prices was a small exhibition furnished the boys at the Truant House.

Fires in Brooklyn.

About 1 o'clock yesterday morning the frame house of Mr. KITCHEN, in Van Buren-street, near Nostrand-avenue, caught fire from fireworks, and sustained slight damage; insured in the Manhattan Insurance Company for $2,000.

About 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon the roof of a frame house in Spencer-street, near Myrtle-avenue, caught fire, and sustained damage to the amount of $100; insured for $2,000 in the Montauk Insurance Company; house owned and occupied by HENRY MCCHESNEY.

About 11 o'clock on Sunday night the butcher shop of JAMES MCKEON, corner of York and James streets, was discovered to be on fire. The firemen were promptly on the ground and extinguished the flames. The loss on stock and fixtures amounted to about $600; insured in the Firemen's Trust Company. The building, owned by MICHAEL O'BRIEN, was damaged to the amount of $1,000; insured for that amount in the Phœnix Insurance Company.

About the same time a fire occurred at the house of THOMAS GLYNN, No. 167 Amity-street, caused by the firing of Roman candles; damage about $20.

Yesterday afternoon the Catholic Church in Debevoise-street, caught fire, and was promptly extinguished; damage about $25.

About 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon a fire took place in the house of H. MALLORY, Myrtle-avenue, near Washington-street; damage about $300; insured.

Yesterday afternoon the roof of the four-story brick house at the corner of Johnson-street and Graham-avenue, owned by PETER DINGLE, caught fire from fire-crackers coming in contact with some inflammable rubbish; damage by fire and water, $625; insured in the Kings County Insurance Company.

Yesterday afternoon the awning in front of BAYER'S jewelry store, No. 212½ Fulton-street, was destroyed by fire. Further damage was prevented by two members of Engine Company No. 14.

Accidents from Fireworks in Brooklyn.

Yesterday afternoon SAMUEL KANE, a boy 12 years old, residing at No. 144 Hamilton-avenue, had his left forefinger shot off while playing with a pistol. He was taken to the Long Island College Hospital.

WM. DEMPSEY, a colored boy 12 years old, residing at No. 85 Pacific-street, while playing with a small bottle of powder, had his face and hands severely burned by the explosion of the powder. He was taken to the Long Island College Hospital.

JOHN KINCAID, a boy about 12 years of age, shot SAMUEL CRAIG, another boy about the same age, in Park-avenue, with a pistol. The wad struck CRAIG over the left eye, inflicting a severe wound and nearly destroying the eye.

On Sunday afternoon ANNIE CRUMMING, a girl about 12 years of age, residing at No. 21 Sackett-street, was accidentally shot in the stomach by JAMES MORAN, a young man 22 years of age. Medical aid was immediately called. The girl's wound is not deemed a dangerous one.

JAMES BUCKLEY, 14 years old, residing with his parents, No. 42 North Seventh-street, while firing a pistol on Sunday evening had his right hand severely lacerated.

Yesterday forenoon WILLIAM BROWN, aged 14 years, residing at No. 15 Lafayette-avenue, had his hand blown to pieces by the premature discharge of a pistol. He was taken to the City Hospital.

About the same time GRIFF PERRY was wounded in the hand by the premature discharge of a pistol in his own hands.

A young woman named JOSEPHINE ANDERSON, while visiting the house of Mr. MOORE, No. 61 Prospect-street, was fatally injured by the premature discharge of a pistol, which she was handling. The ball penetrated her brain.

The residence of COURTLANDT VAN BRUNT, Park-avenue and Skillman-street, was damaged by fire to the amount of about $50. Insured in the Manhattan.

The Day in New-Jersey.

The ninety-third anniversary of Independence Day was universally celebrated throughout New-Jersey yesterday with ringing of bells, firing of cannon, and other and popular evidence of general enthusiasm. In Jersey City, beyond the general exhibition of the Star Spangled Banner from all the public buildings and private houses, there was no popular display. At the Cunard dock there was a good display of bunting, which, however, was in commemoration of two events; first of all, our national natal day, and secondly, the anniversary of the establishment of the North American and British Steamship Company. At Van Vorst park, in the evening, there was a grand display of fireworks, which were witnessed by a large number of persons, as well as other displays in various localities around the city. In Hudson City the day passed off very quietly, notwithstanding the large number of New-Yorkers who visited it in search of pleasure and liquor. About 8 o'clock the proceedings were enlivened by a magnificent display of fireworks, which was kept up until nearly midnight. Fortunately we have no instance to record of any accident, fire or unpleasantness.

At Hoboken, although plenty of people were spit on the street throughout the day and evening, yet there was no public parade; in fact, the city presented a Sabbath appearance. In the evening the various gardens were crowded, and in several of them there was a fine exhibition of fireworks.

CASUALTIES IN NEWARK.

Two little sons of Detective FISHER, residing at No. 9 Belmont-avenue, Newark, were severely wounded in the face by the explosion of some loose powder with which they were playing.

HORACE KIERSTON, a lad 14 years of age, residing at No. 281 Mulberry-street, Newark, was severely wounded in the right hand by the premature explosion of a pistol. The wound was dressed by Dr. ROBINSON.

A son of THOMAS BLANEY, residing at No. 15 Pierson's Alley, Newark, aged 13 years, had the forefinger of his left hand blown off by the accidental discharge of a pistol, while engaged in disputing with another boy who wished to fire it off.

The Dry Goods Clerks.

The members of the Dry Goods Clerks' Early Closing Association and their friends held an afternoon and evening festival at Lion Belvidere Park, in One Hundred and Tenth-street, yesterday. Music, dancing, a base-ball match, and a display of fireworks in the evening formed the amusements. Grossalai's Band gave the dance music, to which the members of the Association and their lady friends tripped it right gally. The fireworks were under the direction of CHAS. PATTY.

WASHINGTON.

The Day at the Capital—Apathy Among the White People—Enthusiasm Among the Blacks—A Quiet Orderly Celebration.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, July 5.

The observance of the national holiday in Washington has been entirely of a private, though a very general, character. Business, public and private, wholly ceased. The day was cool and somewhat cloudy, with a delightful southern breeze; and all the physical elements conspired for a day of pleasure and enjoyment. The white people only made a pretence of observance. Most of them stayed at home, not stirred by either the promptings of patriotism or the temptation of the breezy atmosphere. Young America blazed away with fire-crackers, and other combinations of villainous saltpetre, within the limits prescribed by the Mayor's proclamation; young ladies went to ride with their lovers, and dined at suburban resorts; Department clerks sought the woods and ravines and forest paths on the outskirts with avidity; half a dozen steamboats, well crowded with happy people, went down the river; several hundred seekers of pleasure visited Arlington, many more the Soldiers' Home; and still others sought the beautiful new suburb of Brooklyn, across the Potomac from Georgetown, thus obtaining the most magnificent view of the city and country scenery, with many miles of watercourse besides, to be found within a hundred miles of Washington.

But the colored people made up in their enjoyment and observance of the day for all the apathy of their white friends. They turned out en masse, they monopolized all the public reservations, the shaded Capitol Grounds and the beautiful Mall, South of the President's House. They had various celebrations in different quarters. Their day-schools and their Sabbath-schools paraded the streets in the best of order, and with excellent music; the street cars were crowded with them and there were no servants at home to answer bell-calls nor to serve the tables. To-night there is here and there a private exhibition of fireworks but no public display, for our Common Council is law-abiding, and, unlike yours, votes no public funds for such displays. Altogether, the day closes quietly, with neither disturbance nor intoxication, and as orderly as though it were a New-England city instead of a cosmopolite aggregation of a hundred thousand peculiar people.

CELEBRATIONS ELSEWHERE.

In Boston—The Harvard International Crew an the Regatta.

BOSTON, Monday, July 5.

In the rowing regatta on Charles River this morning, the Harvard international four-oar crew beat the well-known George Roehr professional crew of Boston, and the celebrated Pittsburg crew, which numbers among its four men JAMES and JOHN HAMILL, the former of whom was for several years the champion single-sculler of America. Both the Pittsburg and the Roehr men are veteran professionals, and have been training hard for this race.

At the word "Go," the Harvard men took the water beautifully, and by their powerful and sweeping stroke of about 45 to the minute, at once drove the bow of their shell ahead of all their antagonists, until at 400 yards they led the HAMILLS by two lengths, and the ROAHRS by something more. This splendid lead was gained over the professionals while the latter were undoubtedly doing their best—the HAMILLS making forty-eight strokes to the minute, with the ROAHRS abreast of them, who were also doing their best. The Harvards now reduced the number of their strokes to forty-three, and were steadily drawing away from the other boats, when a foul took place between the Pittsburg men and the Roehr crew, and it was several seconds before the two boats could get clear and pull away again.

The Harvards, who had a fine lead at the time of the foul, and were outrowing their opponents, now had the race in their hands, and settled down to their magnificent steady gait of forty strokes to the minute. A stiff breeze was blowing, and the course was very rough; yet the Harvards cleared the water beautifully, rarely dashing up spray in getting forward with their oars. Rounding the stake well in advance of the other boats, they pulled home in handsome style, their bronzed backs swinging in excellent unison, the stroke well caught in the beginning with the back, and finished at the end with the arms in true Harvard style. Time of the Harvards, three miles in 24 minutes 27½ seconds; the *George Roehr* in 29 minutes 17½ seconds. Good time, considering the roughness of the water and the fact the Harvards were not at all pressed.

Buffalo—The City Crowded—Unusually Extensive Celebration.

BUFFALO, Monday, July 5.

The national holiday was celebrated to-day with great spirit and enthusiasm; salutes were fired and bells rung morning, noon and night. Thousands of persons from the surrounding country and Canada thronged the streets, to witness the grand procession of military and civic associations, children of public schools and a menagerie with gorgeous chariots, wagons, &c. The Declaration of Independence was read, an oration delivered, and other exercises took place on one of the public parks. In the afternoon a large crowd assembled to witness the ascension of Professor KING, of Boston, with six companions, in a mammoth baloon. All the public buildings and shipping in the harbor were decorated with flags. Boat-racing, excursions, picnics and every conceivable amusement was resorted to. The day has not been so universally observed and honored here in many years. Country people poured into the city, and city folks took possession of the country. At night the Grand Army of the Republic held an immense strawberry festival in the Rink. Up to the present writing no accident of a serious character has occurred, although the streets are literally packed.

In Wilmington, N. C.—A Sad Accident on the Water.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Monday, July 5.

The day was generally observed as a holiday. All the principal houses were closed, but no general celebration took place. The weather was cloudy, slight rain, with indications of heavy rain, which will prove of much advantage to the suffering crops. The steam tug *Brandt*, with a large party of excursionists from abroad, while returning to the city this evening, had a piece blown from her boiler at a point six miles below the city. The utmost consternation prevailed. W. B. MEARES' son, Colonel THOMAS D. MEARES, C. R. ARCH and E. H. ELLES jumped overboard. ARCH, after sinking twice, and ELLES were rescued by a colored man in a lifeboat from the steamer *Wacoomaw*. MEARES, after swimming 1,000 yards, was drowned. H. GILLIGAN was so badly scalded that his life is despaired of. M. MCLAURIN, son of JOSEPH MCLAURIN, was painfully but not dangerously hurt.

At Long Branch—Observance in and About the Hotels.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Monday, July 5.

Over seven thousand visitors arrived here within the last forty-eight hours, to celebrate the National Birthday. At 10 o'clock the Declaration of Independence was read by E. J. PETTIGREW, Esq., after which an address was delivered by Rev. J. T. CRANE, D. D. There was a large procession of the Good Templars. In the evening fireworks were set off in front of the various hotels, and balls given at the Mansion House, Continental Hotel and Stetson House.

In Albany—A Pleasant Holiday.

ALBANY, N. Y., Monday, July 5.

With clear, cool weather, and a full turnout of the military, firemen with their apparatus, and civic societies, the celebration here to-day passed off in a most gratifying manner. The demonstration closed to-night with a fine display of fireworks. The Police made about fifty arrests for firing pistols, &c., in the streets, early in the day, and thus prevented the occurrence of many accidents. One or two fires occurred, with small losses.

In Richmond, Va.—A General Observance.

RICHMOND, Va., Monday, July 5.

Independence Day was generally observed here to-day. The business houses were all closed.

In Charleston, S. C.—Procession of Republicans.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Monday, July 5.

The Fourth was celebrated to-day by the Republicans by a procession and speeches. About 300 colored people were in line. Everything passed off quietly.

In Augusta, Ga.—The Colored People's Celebration.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Monday, July 5.

The Fourth was observed to-day by the colored people by a procession.

THE LOSS OF THE POWELL EXPEDITION.

Statement of John B. Hawkes—Twenty-one Men Engulfed in the Colorado in a Moment.

From the Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Friday, July 2.

The fate of the Powell expedition has caused a feeling of intense anxiety among his friends and the public generally, and is now determined by the report as brought by the only survivor of the ill-fated party. I send you his the story as told to me to-day by him, which settles the fate of Major POWELL and party.

The survivor's name is JOHN A. RIDDON; he was a member of the Powell expedition. Joined Major POWELL's party on the 10th day of July, 1868, at Le Salle. His duties were to assist as chain man, and whatever he could do to be made useful. He has been with the party every day since it left Illinois, and, of course, is well acquainted with all who composed it.

On the 9th or 8th day of May the party reached the Colorado River at a point called Williamsburg, a small Indian settlement. At that time the party consisted of Major Powell, William C. Duriey, Charles Durley, Andrew Knoxton, T. W. Smith, William S. Dalton, Charles Sherman, Wm. Scott, Perry Duncan, John A. Jones, Frederick Buckingham, David Sellers, Edward Spencer, Wm. Murray, Isaac Themes, Thomas Heughs, a half-breed named Chick-a-wanee, the guide, and two men who lived at Fairbury, Ill., who acted as runners, and whose names he could not remember. There were also two teamsters named Pain, Myrans and Tuos. WALGH. The party remained at Williamsburg seven or eight days, the Major sending out scouting parties of observation during the time.

On the 16th or 18th of May the camp was broken up, and the whole party moved down the river for the purpose of exploring two tributaries of the Colorado named Big Black and the Doleban. At a point 150 yards above Big Black the party embarked on board of a large bark canoe, called a yawl by the Indians, (the boats the Major had having been been left behind,) with the exception of Mr. RIDDON, who was directed by Major POWELL to go below the Colorado Rapids, which had a fall of about 160 feet, between the mouth of the Big Black and Doleban, a distance of a mile and a quarter, and to see if the party could go up the Doleban, and then to return and await the return of the party from its exploration of the mouth of the Big Black. Mr. RIDDON and four or five others of the party tried to dissuade the Major from crossing at that point, as they considered, by observations made a day or two before, that the attempt would be dangerous. But Major POWELL said laughingly in reply: "We have crossed worse rapids than these, boys. You must be getting powerfully. If women and men cannot paddle us across there, we will have to go under." When they left the shore there were twenty-five men in the boat, with surveying instruments, and all of the Major's note-books, &c. They pushed out into the river with three hearty cheers, using seven paddles, the Major standing in the stern steering. RIDDON stood on the shore waving his hat, and said: "You must be back in time for dinner, for I will have a good lunch for you when you return." They cried back in reply: "Good-bye, JACK; you will never see us again." A moment afterward RIDDON saw the boat commence whirling around, and like a living thing dive down into the depths of the river with its living freight, Major POWELL standing at his post, and was the last man RIDDON saw of this noble and illfated expedition, and RIDDON was left alone, the only survivor of the party. His feelings can be better imagined than described. In his own language, "For two hours I lay on the bank of the river, crying like a baby." He then went up and down the river for about a mile or more, to see if he could find any remains of the party, but could not do so. He then went down the river for about three or four miles, and while sitting on the river bank resting himself, he saw a carpet-bag floating down the stream, about four rods from him. He had no other way to reach it but to swim, which he did, and brought it to the shore. It proved to be Major POWELL's, and contained memorandum and sketch books. RIDDON continued four days searching for the remains of the lost party without finding anything; but the carpet-bag, and what he found in it, led the effects of the party behind, and taking the two teams and wagons, started for the borders of civilization, and after eight days of travel he reached Le Roy, a small military post and settlement on Red River, about the 1st of June. In reaching this place RIDDON was obliged to cross four different rivers and streams twenty times, and several times came near losing one of the teams. At Le Roy, RIDDON reported to Colonel SMITH, commanding the post, and turned over to him all the property he had brought through. Colonel SMITH received RIDDON kindly, and did all in his power to make him comfortable after his long, lonesome trip, and at the end of three days, gave RIDDON transportation to St. Louis, where he arrived about three days ago, and is now in this city, on his way to LaSalle, his home. All of Major POWELL's baggage, together with the carpet-bag found by RIDDON, were sent to Mrs. POWELL by express, yesterday, from St. Louis.

I have written this sketch hastily, as it fell from the lips of Mr. RIDDON, who has the appearance of an honest, reliable man, and well posted in the doings of the expedition; and by his words, and by the tangible proofs he brings with him, the fate of Major POWELL's expedition is left without a doubt, and another name is added to the long roll of martyrs to science. Mr. RIDDON served under Major POWELL in Company B, First Illinois Artillery, for three years during the late war.

Riddon's Story Not Entirely Credited.

From the Chicago Evening Journal, July 2.

There is still reason to doubt the report of the loss of Major POWELL and his party of scientific explorers, in the Colorado River. The mother of Major POWELL, who resides at Wheaton, in this State, has received a letter from him dated May 23. RIDDON's account, published in our Springfield dispatch of yesterday, states that the disaster to the party occurred May 8. Major POWELL did not leave Illinois until May 7. Mrs. POWELL also states that some of those alleged as having been of the party when lost, were not with the party at all. She does not credit the story, and it certainly needs further confirmation.

The Abuse in the House of Refuge.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, July 3, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

May I ask the favor of inserting in the TIMES the inclosed card from the managers of the House of Refuge in reference to an article from your paper of this morning:

Respectfully, OLIVER S. STRONG,
President of the Board of Managers.

A CARD.

In reference to a report of proceedings in a case of habeas corpus in the New-York TIMES of the 2d inst., headed, "Cruel Treatment in the Reformatory System of the House of Refuge," the Managers of that institution beg to state that they deny in toto the testimony of the girl given before the Court as reported. That her evidence as to the hours of labor, the cell accommodations, the quality of the victuals, bear hardly a semblance of the truth. That no such punishment as the line-water shower bath, or shower bath of any kind, has ever been used in the Reformatory department of the House. The Managers beg to state further that the character borne by the girl before becoming an inmate of the House, and during her confinement therein, was such as to render her testimony entirely valueless and unworthy of credence.

On such testimony the Managers protest against the decision which the Judge of the Court rendered on the ground that the evidence proved the House of Refuge to be of the nature of a prison and not of a reformatory.

The Board of Managers forbear to advert to other parts of the proceedings, of which they have information not particularly creditable to the Court, as the case will shortly be submitted to the consideration of the full Bench. The Managers desire to state, finally, that the House of Refuge has been visited on various occasions by Judges of nearly all the law Courts of the City of New-York and by many from this and other States, and that every opportunity for a thorough examination of the institution in all its parts, and of its management, and of the treatment of its inmates, has been always afforded. The managers cordially invite the minutest inspection, without previous notice, by any of the Judges of the Courts of the City and State, being fully confident that the result would only in fully proving the reformatory character of the institution.

The proper place to have protested against the decision of Judge MCCUNN was in the courtroom, and the protest should have taken the form of evidence to substantiate the claim now made. Defaming the character of the girl now will not answer the purpose. Instead of inviting public scrutiny into their affairs, the Board of Managers ought to ask official examination. Certainly, in view of the judicial character of the proceedings in this case, the establishment ought to receive official scrutiny, whether it be asked or not.—ED. TIMES.

Two Hartford insurance companies—the Merchants' and the Hartford—have declared semi-annual dividends of 10 per cent

HARVARD VS. YALE.

A Brilliant Game of Base Ball for the University Championship.

Harvard Victorious—Score, 41 to 24.

According to announcement, yesterday afternoon the College Nines of Yale and Harvard met and played their annual game of base ball in Brooklyn. A fine day for the match could not have been desired, and the Union Grounds were in excellent condition for the contest. Unexpectedly, the number of spectators was limited, composed chiefly of students and graduates, who had come to see their College win the match. Yale men were there in force, sporting their blue ribbons and looking hopeful, while Harvardites were scarce, but jubilant from first to last.

The Harvard nine appeared on the grounds first, and at once stripped for work, and got their muscles into play by a little previous tossing and batting. They were dressed in light gray uniforms trimmed with red. Soon after them came the Yale nine, with Mr. WILDEY, President of the Mutuals had generously provided, ready on their arrival in the City. They, too, were uniformed in gray, trimmed with blue.

At 3:10 the grounds were cleared and the game commenced. The two nines were then alone in the field, and to all appearances seemed to be but little difference in their physique. It could be noticed, however, that the Harvard men were larger, taller and heavier than their rivals, and that with equal skill, the chances were in their favor. The Yale representatives were, with one or two exceptions, small but compact and active-looking fellows.

The names of these rival players are as follows: Harvard—M. S. Smith—Class of 1869. F. Rawle, '69; A. M. Bush, '71; G. G. Willard, '69; J. R. Wells '71; W. F. Austin, '71; W. E. C. Eustis, '71; W. T. Perrin '69; J. Reynolds '71. Yale—T. McClintock, '70; C. Deming, '71; T. Hooker, '69; S. S. McCutcheon, '70; C. French, '72; L. Candler, '69; G. Richards, '72; W. B. Wheeler, '72; E. A. Lewis, '70.

All preliminaries being arranged, play began at 3 P. M. precisely, Yale at the bat. McCLINTOCK led off, hitting to REYNOLDS at third, who, in his anxiety, overthrew the ball to PERRIN, and as it went far into the crowd, McCLINTOCK ran on to third, and PERRIN throwing it again wildly, McCLINTOCK went home; DEMING was given base through WILLARD's muffing; HOOKER struck soundly, followed by CUTCHIN, FRENCH and CONDIER, the latters hit clearing the bases, though he went no further than first himself; standing on that base longer than he ought to have done, he paid the penalty by being driven off by RICHARDS, and a double-play ensued; WHEELER was next flyed out on a "popper" by SMITH, the side's play closing for five runs. It was a good beginning, and one not relished by Harvard. Yale was exuberant, too much so, perhaps, as their subsequent fielding showed. SMITH headed the Harvard list of strikers, and he sent a wicked fellow down to centre field; RAWLS followed with a similar hit, neither taking more than one base thereon, however; BUSH sent the first man home by a sharp hit to short stop, which McCUTCHEON found too hot to handle; WILLARD next drove a liner to left field; WELLS was fielded out from third to firstbase, and EUSTIS was nicely taken by WHEELER; PERRIN, REYNOLDS and SMITH then made bases, the two first runs, on good hits, but the latter suffered himself to be third out from RICHARDS to McCUTCHEON, attempting to steal base. The score was 5 and 0 in favor of the Cambridge men. McCLINTOCK, McCUTCHIN and LEWIS secured runs in the second inning, while Harvard, by clear hitting, ran up six more tallies on their score. Following this, Yale could make but two; their opponents, by good batting, aided by wretched fielding, scored twelve, taking all interest out of the match, and virtually deciding the contest. To attempt a description of the game further would be useless, save mentioning the fact that FRENCH pitched during the fourth, fifth and sixth innings, and, although awkwardly, yet very effectively. Yale followed to poorer advantage, taken individually, than ever before in field, while collectively the play was of the worst nature. WHEELER's second-base play was marked by the commitment of error after error, while that of McCUTCHEON and McCLINTOCK was made more remarkable for ineffectiveness than other parts. The pitching of HOOKER was hammered about in a manner wholly unaccountable for, Harvard in the respect of batting seeming to have fallen in with the best of fortune at the bat. RICHARDS play behind was almost faultless, while the wiry, little PARSONS was ever alive to business. DEMING and LEWIS were out of play also. Taking Yale's fielding, however, it cannot be said to merit any praise as a whole. In batting, every man of them made bases on clear hitting several times. Lewis carrying off the honors of the day for the longest hit of the game—a clean house run, on which he had crossed the third base ere the ball was reached by the fielder. Of Harvard, it cannot be said they made an extraordinary fielding score, though it was certainly far more creditable than Yale. It was at the bat they took the theory. Hitting is its word for it. The ball was knocked to out-field time after time, beyond the power of any one to reach. They made a total of forty-four bases on clean hits alone, not to mention the errors that Yale made in the field, while the students of the old Elm City made but twenty-eight. To say that the result shows the merits of each Club fairly would not be the truth, though we would not have it understood that by this we mean to deflect one ray of the honor on Harvard's banner—Yale did play a wretched game, but, had as it might have been, it was made what it was by the decisions of the umpire, who, though unintentionally, gave all close decisions against Yale and in favor of Harvard. This may seem strange, if not to many untrue, but it is the fact, nevertheless, and it is possible that no more over before scored so injudiciously as threw the injustice all against one club. This latter fact tended, together with the poor exhibition given by Yale, to render the game uninteresting ere the first three innings had been played. The following is the score:

HARVARD.	O.	R.	YALE.	O.	R.
Smith, p.	3	2	McClintock, 2d b.	3	1
Rawle, 1. f.	3	3	Deming, l. f.	3	1
Bush, c.	3	3	Hooker, p.	3	4
Willard, s. s.	3	4	McCutcheon, s. s.	3	4
Wells, c. f.	3	4	French, 1st b.	3	2
Austin, 2d b.	3	4	Condier, c. f.	3	1
Eustis, r. f.	3	4	Richards, c.	3	2
Perrin, 1st b.	3	5	Wheeler, 3d b.	3	1
Reynolds, 3d b.	3	5	Lewis, r. f.	3	5
Totals.	27	41	Totals.	27	24

INNINGS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	Tot.
Harvard	7	6	12	3	1	0	1	1	0—	41
Yale	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0—	24

Time of Game—Three hours and twenty minutes.
Scorers—Harvard, J. J. Mayers; Yale, W. T. McLean.
Umpire—Mr. Van Cott, of the Uns Club.

To-day the Yale Freshmen play the Harvard Freshmen at Springfield, Mass., and to-morrow the Harvards meet the Eckfords on the Union Ground.

Athletic vs. Atlantic.

These celebrated clubs played the first of a series of social games at the Capitoline Grounds, Brooklyn, yesterday afternoon. A vast crowd, estimated at about 12,000 persons, assembled to witness the contest, expecting that it involved the championship laurels. They discovered, to their disappointment, that such was not the case, owing to the illness of McBRIDE, of the Philadelphia club, which has caused a postponement of the championship match until September. The spectators also anticipated that the game would be a sharp and brilliant one, but on the contrary, it proved to be an unusually slow and tedious one. The batting was rather creditable, but the fielding was execrable, and not at all in the superior style which both clubs generally display.

The game lasted four hours, and was pronounced on the whole to be a most tame and unexciting affair, the contestants being sharply condemned for the lack of interest which they manifested. Of the home runs, six were made by the Atlantics and four by the Athletics. There were eleven drop fly balls for the former and six for the latter. The struggle was prominently characterized by wild pitching and passed balls, in which each club came off about equal. The following is the score:

ATHLETIC.	1st T.					ATLANTIC.	1st. T.				
	O.	R.	B.	S.	O.		O.	R.	B.	S.	O.
Reach, 2d b.	3	3	7	Pinkie, c. f.	3	Pinkie, c. f.	4	3	0	0	0
Myrick, r. f.	3	3	9	Smith, 2d b.	3	Smith, 2d b.	4	2	7	0	0
Cuthbert, l. f.	3	3	13	Start, 1st b.	3	Start, 1st b.	2	7	0	10	
Fisler, 1st b.	3	2	4	Chapman, l. f.	3	Chapman, l. f.	1	7	17		
Pike, 3d b.	4	0	10	Ferguson, c.	3	Ferguson, c.	4	4	1		
McMullin, p.	3	1	3	Crotin, p.	3	Crotin, p.	1	3	4		
Perry, s. s.	3	3	11	Zettlein, p.	3	Zettlein, p.	3	4	0		
Radcliff, c.	3	4	12	Pike, 2d b.	3	McDonald, r. f.	3	3	3		
Palmer, s. s.	4	3	3	McDonald, r. f.	3						
	27	40	47	70			27	51	44	76	

INNINGS.

	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.	Tot.
Athletic	7	0	5	4	0	2	2	2	1—	23
Atlantic	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1—	8

Umpire—Mr. Flanly, of the Mutual.
Scorers—Messrs. Wright and Delaney.
Time of Game—Four hour.

Cricket—Married vs. Single of St. George's Club.

The annual Fourth of July cricket match, between the married and single members of St. George's Cricket Club, at Hudson City, resulted yesterday in Mr. BRAECKER's side scoring 77 and 123 in two innings, against Mr. OATES's side, 75 and 81. The play was first rate on both sides, and the day was passed in the most enjoyable manner.

THE TURF.

American Girl and Lady Thorn.

These famous fast mares, acknowledged rivals for the sovereignty of the American trotting turf, are to be afforded an opportunity of deciding the disputed question of superiority at speed on Long Island. Mr. CHAMBERS, of the Fashion Course, has offered a purse of $2,500 for a race between them, at mile heats, best three in five, to harness, to be trotted for on Monday next, the 12th inst. The owners of both mares have, by publicly consenting to the match, agreed to trot, that on that day one of the most interesting races of the trotting season will be witnessed. The race is made "good day and good track," and, with these conditions, we expect to see the largest assemblage that the Fashion Course has witnessed this year. Lady Thorn defeated American Girl in their two meetings in harness and in wagon, early this season, but at Narragansett Park the latter simply retrieved her lost laurels by beating, among others, her previous conqueror. Their next meeting will be looked forward to with great interest by turfmen.

Trotting on the Fashion Course, L. I.

Three trotting matches were announced to be trotted on the Fashion Course, yesterday, but two of them, and the most important, were postponed until Saturday next. The match that did come off was for $500, mile heats, three in five, in harness, between A. GARSON's roan gelding and R. WALKER's bay mare. It was an uninteresting affair, the bay mare winning the first and second heats so easily, that her opponent was withdrawn for the third. Time—2:39, 2:34.

SUMMARY.

FASHION COURSE, L. I.—Match $400, mile heats, three in five, in harness:

R. Walker's b. m.	1	1	1
A. Garson's r. g.	2	2	dr.

Time—2:39, 2:34.

THE BUNKER MURDER.

Close of the Inquest—The Jury Render a Verdict Against John Hastings.

An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner FLYNN in the case of FRANK BUNKER, the saloon-keeper, who was assaulted and fatally stabbed, on the 26th ult., in his saloon at No. 68 West Houston-street. The only witness examined was JAMES PETRIE, the barkeeper, who testified that JOHN HASTINGS and DANIEL COFFEE, *alias* "Brownie," came into the saloon on the night in question, and quarreled with the deceased in relation to something that had been said against HASTINGS. BUNKER put HASTINGS out of the saloon, and Detective VAUGHN, who happened to pass by at the time, put COFFEE out. A few minutes after the departure of the detective HASTINGS returned, exhibiting a long-bladed and formidable knife. Mr. BUNKER ran behind his bar and got a club, with which he attempted to drive HASTINGS out. The latter stabbed him in the abdomen, and then escaped. This evidence being considered sufficient, the jury rendered a verdict of murder against the man HASTINGS, who is still at liberty.

Bloody Proceedings in the Fourth Ward—Unsociable Social Clubs.

The Fourth Ward has four social clubs, composed chiefly of young printers, and two of these are named the Festives and the Liberty Guard, more generally known in the vulgate as the "Swamp Rangers." Between these two there has long been intense rivalry; and, for the past three months, the members of each seem to have entertained for the others only feelings of bitter animosity. Being somewhat untrammeled by the embarrassments of life, neither side has felt itself called upon to confine the display of their feelings to the choicest expletives or the goatiest remonstrances, but the existing animosity resulted in nothing more serious than hard words and a few fights on individual account, until Sunday night.

About midnight the members of the rival clubs happened to meet or sought each other out at a beer saloon in Chambers-street. It was ascertained that a hostile collision was imminent; that one side chased the other; that a serious breach of the peace was committed, culminating in a diminutive riot, and finally that three shots were fired, it is alleged, by one QUINN, President of the Festives, one of which fortunately did any harm, although one was fired in GRIFFITH's saloon, No. 4 New Chambers-street, where the other side had been driven to take shelter. After all this had occurred the Police arrived. Several persons were arrested, and, it is said, were taken to the Sixth Ward Station-house; but singularly enough no mention of the affair occurs upon the Police records of the day.

The musical spirit of these sociable fellows was not extinguished by the hubbub of the night, but again broke forth yesterday in the City Hall and Tombs Police Courts. Mr. BUCKLEY, chief of the Swamp Rangers, and MORRIS O'BRIEN, one of the festive clan, met about 11 o'clock and proceeded to fight it out with pistols under the very eyes of the Twenty-sixth Precinct Police. Only one shot was exchanged; but McCOLLOM, who was looking now for his seal and valor, as his opponent's bullet went through his hand. Both parties were promptly arrested.

Board of Supervisors—Bills for the New Court-House—The Cost of Post-Mortem Examinations.

A special meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held at noon yesterday, pursuant to law. Mr. ROCHE presided.

The assessment rolls of real and personal estate for the year 1869 were received from the Tax Commissioners, and referred to the Committee on Annual Taxes.

The following bills for